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## **Cameco Supports Diagnostic Imaging at Northumberland Hills Hospital with \$200,000 Gift**

**COBOURG**, Ontario, Canada (April 4, 2023) – Cameco has pledged a \$200,000 gift to Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) Foundation to support the equipment needs of the Diagnostic Imaging Department.

Cameco president and CEO Tim Gitzel was in Cobourg today to tour NHH's Diagnostic Imaging Department and attend a cheque presentation with both Susan Walsh, president and CEO of NHH, and Rhonda Cunningham, CEO of NHH Foundation. During the tour, Gitzel also had the opportunity to interact with frontline staff, who provided details on the services and care offered by the diagnostic imaging team.

"Northumberland Hills Hospital plays a vital role in helping to keep the community healthy and we are thankful to everyone here for their outstanding work and dedication," said Gitzel. "We know our gift will help the hospital access the latest diagnostic imaging technologies and benefit the patients who come here for exceptional care."

Over the next two years, NHH plans to replace both the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and Computed Tomography (CT) scanner. Advanced technologies will bring cutting-edge benefits to support the frontline team in meeting increasing needs and better caring for the community. Cameco's donation has been pledged in support of these projects.

"Our current CT and MRI were state-of-the-art when they were installed more than 13 years ago, however technology for both has significantly advanced," commented Dr. Paul Marrocco, chief of radiology at NHH.

"Recently, researchers and developers of CT technology have introduced something called photon counting, and this advancement is one of the most significant changes to CT I've seen in my 40-year career," shared fellow radiologist and CT medical director, Dr. Frank Marrocco. "Now is the time for us to act – to become one of the first in our province to offer this advanced service."

"An investment in a new CT and MRI will bring this leading-edge technology and the benefits it offers to Northumberland patients," continued Dr. Paul Marrocco. "For those requiring CT, this will improve spatial resolution and provide better visualization to support faster and more accurate diagnosis and treatment plans, and those requiring MRI will benefit from a reduction in scan time and an increase in patient comfort."

"Cameco has been a leading supporter of our hospital for more than 20 years," said Cunningham. "This gift is yet another way Cameco is demonstrating its commitment to bettering our community and supporting healthcare locally – we are very grateful for their support."

Cameco's donation will ultimately support NHH Foundation's *Exceptional Community, Exceptional Care* campaign, which includes the replacement of both the MRI and CT as one of its key goals. Set to be the largest campaign in the hospital's history, its success will support world-class care and medical technology in Northumberland County and help the hospital prepare for the needs ahead brought on by a growing and aging community.

To learn more about ways you can support NHH Foundation, visit [www.NHHFoundation.ca](http://www.NHHFoundation.ca).

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### **About the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation**

The mission of the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation is to inspire generous giving to enable exceptional patient care at Northumberland Hills Hospital. With a dedicated team of enthusiastic volunteers and staff, the NHH Foundation is passionately committed to improving health care and the quality of life for people living in west Northumberland. Since 2002, the NHH Foundation has raised over \$70 million to build and equip Northumberland Hills Hospital. This support comes from generous community support through a variety of programs including major gifts, planned giving, signature and third party events, direct mail and commemorative giving. For more information, visit: [www.nhhfoundation.ca](http://www.nhhfoundation.ca).

### **About Northumberland Hills Hospital**

Located approximately 100 kilometres east of Toronto, NHH delivers a broad range of acute, post-acute, outpatient and diagnostic services. Acute services include emergency and intensive care, medical/surgical care, obstetrical care and palliative care. Post-acute specialty services (PASS) include restorative care and rehabilitation. Mental health care, cancer and supportive care, dialysis and other ambulatory care clinics are offered on an outpatient basis through partnerships with regional centres and nearby specialists. NHH offers a full range of diagnostic services, including magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT) and mammography. The hospital serves the catchment area of west Northumberland County. A mixed urban and rural population of approximately 63,000 residents, west Northumberland comprises the Town of Cobourg, the Municipality of Port Hope, Alderville First Nation and the townships of Hamilton, Cramahe and Alnwick/Haldimand. NHH employs more than 700 people and relies on the additional support provided by physicians, midwives and volunteers. NHH is an active member of Ontario Health (East)—formerly the Central East Local Health Integration Network—and the Ontario Health Team of Northumberland. For more information, please visit [nhh.ca](http://nhh.ca) or follow us on Facebook [@northumberlandhillshosp](https://www.facebook.com/northumberlandhillshosp) or Twitter [@NorHillsHosp](https://twitter.com/NorHillsHosp).

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