



**Two Hospitals. One Goal.**  
*The very best care close to home.*

# WHY?

## IT'S ALL ABOUT PATIENT CARE

- Coordinate planning around the service needs of our region to improve:
  - Accessibility
  - Quality
  - Coordination
  - Use of resources
  - Transitions in care
- Opportunities for greater collaboration
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# BUILDING ON A HISTORY OF COLLABORATION

- A strong and supportive relationship over many years
- A commitment to work together to provide the **best care close to home** for our local communities

## ***PAST SUCCESSES:***

- *Shared staff in key positions: HR Director, pharmacists, physicians*
- *Smooth transition process adopted for patients transferring from CPDMH to AGH - for example, CPDMH complex continuing care patients going to Rosamond Unit at AGH*

# ONE YEAR AGO: “LET’S DO MORE”

- Announced that the two Boards would be meeting together to examine all options and identify opportunities for stronger collaboration
- Looking for ways to strengthen local services
- Several strategies identified:
  - Quality Improvement Planning
  - Diagnostic Imaging Purchasing Power
  - Seniors’ Strategy
  - Mental Health Strategy

## ***EARLY SUCCESSES:***

- *Joint pharmacy system has improved safety of medication delivery*
- *Combining buying power to purchase new digital x-ray equipment*
- *Successfully attracted funding for a new program that supports vulnerable seniors in our region*

# A NEW NAME FOR THIS PLANNING WORK: MISSISSIPPI RIVER HEALTH ALLIANCE

- A way for both Boards to identify opportunities for better care
  - Committee will lead discussions and make recommendations to two Boards
  - Each hospital remains a separate corporation with its own Board providing strategic direction and oversight for its local hospital
  - Business as usual for the staff, physicians, Auxiliary, volunteers and Foundation
  - Aligned with the Champlain LHIN and Ministry of Health planning agendas
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- Not a merger
  - Not about reducing services or reducing staff

# A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY: 'SHARED CEO MODEL'

- Upcoming retirement of CPDMH's Chief Executive Officer created opportunity to look at a shared leadership model - single CEO
- Addresses challenges of recruitment and retention of senior leaders in rural areas
- Fosters strong base to identify opportunities for better patient care

# WE VALUE OUR PARTNERS

- Continue to work with our healthcare and community partners for the benefit of our communities
- Well aligned with Champlain LHIN's vision of healthy people in healthy communities

## ***VALUED RELATIONSHIPS:***

- *North Lanark Palliative Care Network*
- *Champlain Association of Small Hospitals (CAsH)*
- *Future North Lanark Health Link*
- *Shared online staff training*

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