

## Redeveloping Mattawa's Algonquin Nursing Home Supports NE LHIN Efforts to Enhance Quality for Seniors

**May 1, 2017** – Residents of Algonquin Nursing Home and the Mattawa community gathered today with the North East Local Health Integration Network (NE LHIN) team to celebrate the start of construction to redevelop the long-term care home, as part of a health hub which will include physician and physiotherapy clinics, hospital, hospice and respite and interim beds, among other services.



Shown at the ground-breaking ceremony for the home's new location at 207 Turcotte Park Road are (left to right): Lloy Schindeler, Director Sub-Regions, NE LHIN; Jérémy Stevenson, President and CEO, Mattawa Hospital and Algonquin Nursing Home; Megan Waqué, Outreach Officer, NE LHIN; Ron Pellerin, resident of Algonquin Nursing Home; Board Chair Bob Simmonds, Chair of both the Algonquin Nursing Home and the Mattawa Hospital), Greg Humbert of the Catholic Sponsors of Ontario, and Clifford Bastien Jr., Councillor for the Town of Mattawa.

“This redevelopment is about providing quality care for seniors and ensuring their new home meets the highest safety and design standards,” said Louise Paquette, CEO, NE LHIN. “We are very pleased that Algonquin Nursing Home and the community of Mattawa are among the first in the province to move forward with their long-term care home redevelopment.”

Jérémy Stevenson serves both as President & CEO of the Mattawa Hospital and Administrator of the Algonquin Nursing Home. His vision of care in his community encompasses the continuum of care. The new nursing home is located in patient-focused proximity to other care facilities in the community including the hospital, a Family Health Team, and Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) office.

“This new nursing home will greatly benefit the community with access to quality health services in our region, but most importantly, it is built with the residents and seniors of the Mattawa and area in mind,” said Stevenson. “They will receive the highest quality of long-term care services, in the highest facility standards in Ontario, and it builds on the strong reputation of the Algonquin Nursing Home.”

Algonquin Nursing Home is one of 20 homes in the NE LHIN that will be redeveloped over the next eight years. Algonquin’s total redevelopment cost is approximately \$17.5 million. The redeveloped home will provide 73 residents with increased access to health care services as they’ll be on a single site, more privacy, larger bedrooms, enhanced infection control processes, better access to bathrooms, and an improved dining space.

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