Believe the best of everybody. Rudyard Kipling, British Author and Poet

## **Good News from the CEO**

In a Town Hall meeting held on October 5, 2010, David Musyj, President and CEO reported a dramatic improvement on WRH's Hospital Mortality Ratio (HSMR) and Cost Per Weighted Case (CPWC). The Hospital Standardized Mortality Ratio (HSMR) is an important measure that can help support efforts to improve patient safety and quality of care in Canadian hospitals. The HSMR compares the actual number of deaths in a hospital with the average Canadian experience, after adjusting for several factors that may affect in-hospital mortality rates, such as the age, sex, diagnoses and admission status of patients. The ratio provides a starting point to assess mortality rates and identify areas for improvement, which may help to reduce hospital deaths from adverse events. Cost Per Weighted Case (CPWC) is a calculation using the total costs provided by the hospitals. It represents the average cost of one patient receiving services in a hospital at a certain point in time. These improvements are attributed to the hard work performed by all staff, especially the Medical Quality Assurance Committee and the Utilization Committee and Team for their hard work in making sure clinical information is reported accurately. "We are finally starting to be recognized statistically for the work we are doing," said David Musyj in his remarks. "I am proud of you. Keep it going".

## **Ontario Breast Screening Program Celebrates 20 Years**

WRH operates a local **Ontario Breast Screening Program (OBSP)** office located on Walker Road in Windsor. OBSP has been providing comprehensive, organized screening services to Ontario women age 50 and over since 1990. Women who utilize their services receive the added value of participating in an organized program with recruitment, results notification, automatic recall, coordinated follow-up and evaluation. The OBSP provides high-quality mammography and meets Canadian standards for the early detection of small invasive cancers. In 2009, the OBSP screened more than 396,000 women.

## Rainbow Run/Walk

Windsor Regional Hospital has joined forces with the Pride Committee of Windsor in hosting the 1st annual **5km Rainbow Walk/Run**. This fun-filled event will take place on Monday, October 11, 2010 (Thanksgiving) at Windsor's Dieppe Riverfront Park. There will be a grand prize for the best costume and prizes for various age categories. Rainbow Runs are popular in many cities throughout North America. It presents an opportunity to promote and foster community spirit, goodwill, and sportsmanship. Please consider joining in on the fun. All proceeds from the event will support the Pride Committee of Windsor and the Western Redevelopment - Cornerstone of Caring campaign. For more information and to register, visit **www.rainbowrunwindsor.com**.

## Did you know?

In 2009/2010 WRH performed over 140,000 diagnostic procedures.

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