



## Media Release

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### **Windsor Regional Hospital launches New Engagement Platform and Town Hall Series Community members invited to have a say on new hospital design**

**WINDSOR, ON.** \_ In a continuing effort to make sure everyone has an opportunity to have a say on plans for the **New Windsor/Essex Acute Care Hospital**, Windsor Regional Hospital (WRH) has launched an **online engagement platform** and a series of **virtual town halls**.

Starting today, members of the public can go to the **Together We Build** engagement site at [TogetherWeBuild.wrh.on.ca](https://TogetherWeBuild.wrh.on.ca) to get informed, ask questions, complete surveys and share ideas for the layout and design of 11 program and services areas in the new hospital — such as Emergency Services, the Cancer Centre and Paediatrics. The platform has direct links to upcoming Virtual Town Halls, where hospital leaders, planners, frontline staff and patient representatives will provide an update on the work being done in each of the project areas and answer questions.

“I have never seen this level of public engagement at this early stage in hospital planning,” said Project Director Paul Landry, who has helped plan some of Canada’s largest new hospitals in the past decade. “The new hospital belongs to everyone and it’s exciting to see the entire community invited to give input and help guide decisions our planning teams are making as they work on its design and layout.”

#### **How to Have Your Say!**

Visit [TogetherWeBuild.wrh.on.ca](https://TogetherWeBuild.wrh.on.ca) to:

- Register for a Virtual Town Hall (see dates below)
- Take our surveys asking for your feedback on the design of different hospital areas
- Share your own ideas for the design of those areas
- Ask a question (We’ll answer!)
- Subscribe to our newsletter

Because of COVID-19, all the events are virtual at this time. To ensure everyone has access to the platform and an opportunity to participate, WRH is working with the Windsor Public Library and Essex County Library systems to help promote the engagement site and maximize participation. Public Computers are available at all library locations throughout Windsor and Essex County.

Paper copies of the online survey are also available. Contact Allison Johnson, Manager of Communications and Community Engagement by phone at 519-254-5577 x 37922 or email [Allison.Johnson@wrh.on.ca](mailto:Allison.Johnson@wrh.on.ca) to request a copy.

Together We Build Virtual Town Hall Schedule		
All events begin at 7 pm on the respective date		
Mon. March 21	Emergency Services	<a href="#">Register</a>
Tues. March 22	Outpatient Services	<a href="#">Register</a>
Wed. March 23	Paediatrics (child services)	<a href="#">Register</a>
Thurs. March 24	Family Birthing Centre and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	<a href="#">Register</a>
Mon. March 28	Surgical Services (Operating, Recovery and Surgery waiting rooms)	<a href="#">Register</a>
Tues. March 29	Cancer Care	<a href="#">Register</a>
Wed. March 30	Inpatient Units	<a href="#">Register</a>
Thurs. March 31	Education & Learning Services	<a href="#">Register</a>
Mon. April 4	Cardiac Cath & Diagnostics	<a href="#">Register</a>
Tues. April 5	Imaging Services	<a href="#">Register</a>
Wed. April 6	Public Spaces	<a href="#">Register</a>

Everyone is invited to join any or all of the town halls by visiting the Together We Build engagement platform at the scheduled date and time, where a clickable link will be provided to join. Registration is not required. However, individuals are encouraged to register in advance for each event by clicking on the above links to receive reminder emails with clickable links to the town halls. The town halls will be recorded and available for viewing on the site following each event.

**The town hall videos will be available on the project website for anyone who cannot attend at the scheduled time. They will also be broadcast on YourTV Windsor later this spring.**

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