

State-of-the-art cath lab treats first patients, reduces wait times Donors continue to advance cardiac and vascular care



Dr. Hussein Beydoun (left) and Dr. Tony Lee (right) in Cardiac Cath Lab D.

Funded by a community of donors, the QEII's Cardiac Cath Lab D treated its first patients on December 19, 2017.

"In its lifetime, the new Cardiac Cath Lab D will treat about 25,000 patients and save many lives," says Dr. Hussein Beydoun, cath lab director at the QEII.

Cardiac Cath Lab D was closed in Fall 2016 when its aging equipment became unserviceable – and is one of four cath labs in the QEII's newly named Joseph Shannon Family Cardiac Catheterization Suite.

Approximately 5,800 patients a year, including those from New Brunswick and P.E.I., have a procedure in the Joseph Shannon Family Cardiac Catheterization Suite. The unparalleled imaging quality and

capability of Cardiac Cath Lab D will improve patient outcomes.

Donors like you are ensuring the QEII's heart health teams can deliver the best care and highest-level diagnostic imaging during procedures like angiograms, angioplasties and pacemaker implantations.



Funding Atlantic Canada's first centralized research biobank Donors to transform cancer research and care at the QEII

Through the generous support of donors, the QEII will be home to Atlantic Canada's first centralized research biobank, or tumour bank. The investment for the next three years will establish the lab and team that will drive new research forward – primarily in cancer care.

The QEII Research Biobank will enable the development and delivery of new cancer therapies and improve diagnostic tools for those facing a cancer diagnosis in our region.

A regional biorepository, the QEII Research Biobank will collect and store tumours, tissues, fluid samples and personal health information from voluntary participants to facilitate transformative research.

These high-quality biospecimens are accompanied by comprehensive clinical data, which can include the collection time, the tissue composition reflecting the type and stage of disease, as well as clinical information about the patient including age, sex, cancer risk factors, co-existing illnesses, initial treatment and response.

A cornerstone for research, the establishment of the QEII Research Biobank is paramount to moving cancer care forward by accelerating life-saving research and enabling Atlantic Canadian patients access to cutting-edge therapies they otherwise would not have access to.



Share your story.

The most advanced care in our region is within our walls and you make it possible.

Have you been touched by care at the QEII? Help us celebrate the good work that happens here every day.

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Pay it forward today, change a life tomorrow

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Some of my favourite times are visits with senior friends and clients, when I have the opportunity to hear their stories and how they got to where they are today. Sometimes the answer is luck, but more often than not it is hard work, determination, and a great plan that allowed them to achieve success.



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I recently had the pleasure of working with a new friend who had a thousand awesome stories - his life reads almost like a Clancy novel. With his children now successfully established with families of their own, a review of the insurance portfolio was in order.

One policy in particular was purchased as part of an estate plan. The original purpose was no longer valid, and was highlighted for possible cancellation. He wondered what to do.

After visiting with his planner and a representative from the QEII Foundation, he decided to gift his policy to advance care at the QEII Health Sciences Centre.

Here's the neat part. He repurposed a financial product - a life insurance contract - and through that, he will impact patients and families at the QEII, well into the future.

In addition, he received an immediate, sizable tax receipt and will receive ongoing charitable tax receipts for the rest of his life. He has the satisfaction of knowing that in time the proceeds from the policy will help fund the vital work of the QEII, benefiting all Atlantic Canadians. Another epic story to add to his collection!

Think of your investments and insurance contracts as opportunities to do something awesome with your legacy.

You can change a life without knowing a name.

Inspired by the care at the QEII, Barry and Vivien Marvel left a gift in their will to advance care for future patients.

A gift in your will is an easy and affordable way to make a lasting impact. Whether it's a modest sum or a small percentage to suit your family circumstances, the impact will last for generations. For more details or a free copy of our **Estate Planner**, please contact our Gift Planning team: Lori Scott, Katharine Berrington, or Charles O'Neil at **1 888 428 0220**.



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