

Expansion Update

June 2010

Over the past month, lots of changes have taken place on the hospital's campus as the backhoes and dump trucks working onsite have moved over to the hospital's Annex Buildings and roadways.

Consequently, patients, visitors, staff, physicians and volunteers will begin to see more activity, more development and greater change going on around them as the hospital moves closer to expansion.

What's happening now?

Markham Stouffville Hospital's Enabling Works projects are now at the point where they may begin to impact how patients and visitors access the site. While the hospital will continue to ensure patients can access the hospital, vehicle, YRT and VIVA service and pedestrian access routes may change.

In May, the hospital began construction on the parking lots located near the Annex Buildings to create a new road which will be used by staff to access the future West Parking Lot which is currently under construction.

This work will continue throughout the summer and will restrict vehicle and visitor access on Butternut Lane West. Please continue to visit our Expansion section on the hospital's website (www.msh.on.ca) to find out the latest updates about the hospital's expansion project.

What's coming up?

There are several projects which are expected to be complete this summer and will help move the hospital toward its ground breaking in Fall 2010.

In mid-June, work will continue further up Butternut Lane West to the front of the hospital's main entrance. The construction in this area is being done to install some new sanitary and storm drains for use in the new building once it is built. Additional information will be provided once a firm start date for this work is confirmed.

As a result of all this construction, there will also be some changes to the overall appearance of Markham Stouffville Hospital's campus. In order to accommodate the necessary construction, the hospital will be removing a number of trees from its site.

Coming in 2014:

- An expanded Emergency Department
- An improved and expanded Ambulatory Clinic
- Over 100 new inpatient beds
- 8 new operating rooms
- An expanded Diagnostic Imaging Centre
- An enhanced Maternal Child Centre which will see us deliver 1000 more babies/year
- An expanded Mental Health Centre

The hospital's overall expansion plan has an extensive landscaping plan and is designed to ensure that additional trees are planted once work is complete on the new building.

To find out more about Markham Stouffville Hospital's expansion project, visit www.msh.on.ca and click on the Expansion link at the top. If you have any comments or questions, please email them to myhospital@msh.on.ca.