



CARLETON PLACE & DISTRICT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Safer Medication Delivery = Safer Care

Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital (CDPMH) is going high tech with a new automated drug distribution cabinet. The new system provides pre-measured dosages right on the patient ward.

"Medication is loaded into the cabinet by our pharmacists," explains Rachel de Kemp, Chief Nursing Executive. "Nurses use fingerprint security to access each patient's specific medications. The result is safer patient care."

CPDMH is part of the Champlain Alliance of Small Hospitals (CAsH) - a group of eight hospitals focused on innovative rural health delivery options. Other pharmacy initiatives being explored include new drug packaging units, medication bar-coding systems, and shared on-call expertise and medication reviews.

"We are excited to be collaborating with other hospitals. For example, within this quality driven regional approach,
Almonte and Carleton Place Hospitals are building cost effective local solutions by sharing equipment costs," adds Toni Surko, CEO.
"It's great to work together to reduce medication errors."



See you at the 'Celebrate Summer in CP!' on March 28th from 10 to 2 at the Carambeck Community Centre (351 Bridge St.)

Learn more about our 60th Anniversary CPDMH Family Day set for May 30th at the Beckwith Recreation Complex. The Family Day will include fun for the whole family - complete with health displays, kids' event, a Teddy Bear Hospital, skating, a BBQ and more.