

# Building Health Care in PEC

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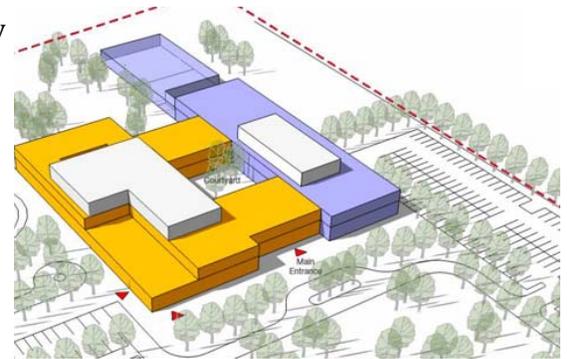


## Partners continue process to build a new PECMH

In April, the partners planning for a new hospital in Prince Edward County received an initial response to their “Pre-Capital Submission” from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC). The Pre-Capital Submission was sent to the MOHLTC in January as the first step in the lengthy process to build a new hospital in Ontario.

It is a normal part of the process for the Ministry to respond with questions and clarifications to the first submission. Quinte Health Care, together with the project partners, will have a follow-up meeting with the Ministry and respond to all of these questions. For example, the PECMH Foundation must ensure there is sufficient support from the community to meet the community share of the project costs, which would be about \$12 million.

“While we can’t control the Ministry of Health approval timelines for a new hospital, the partners will work to answer all of their questions and meet



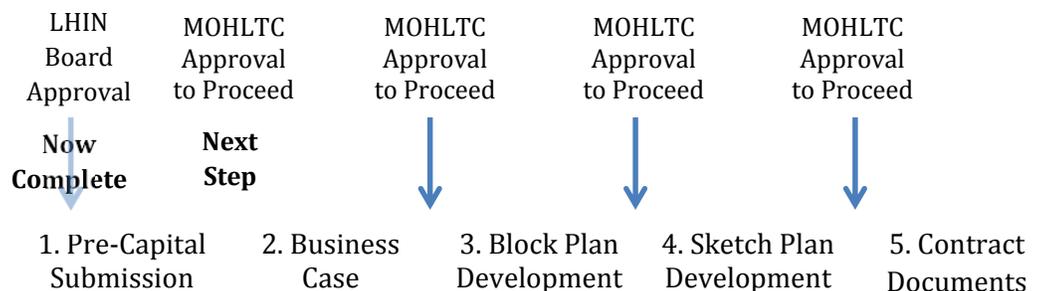
the milestones in their approval process,” said Katherine Stansfield, QHC Vice President & Chief Nursing Officer.

All the project partners, including Quinte Health Care and the LHIN, remain committed to completing the business case to build a new hospital in Prince Edward County.

“We feel the plans we have developed for PECMH would allow us to better meet the changing health care needs of the community, in a more efficient and patient-friendly physical environment,” said QHC CEO Mary Clare Egberts.

## Understanding the Hospital Redevelopment Approval Process

Planning to build a new hospital in Ontario is a lengthy five-stage process, with Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) approval required at the completion of each stage. The LHIN is also involved in the approval process.



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## Health care partners seeking public input on future of services

The South East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) and its health care partners have launched a public engagement process to encourage residents from across the region to help guide the future of health care in their communities.

“The South East LHIN is committed to ensuring that the patient voice is a driving force behind the work that we do at the South East LHIN. Listening to our residents and understanding their health care needs is an important step in our journey to improve the patient experience through quality, integration and value,” said Paul Huras, CEO South East LHIN.

The perspectives and input gathered throughout the process will inform the South East LHIN’s fourth Integrated Health Services Plan (IHSP4) – *Health Care Tomorrow*, and provides an opportunity for community input on the future of hospital services.

IHSP4 – *Health Care Tomorrow* will define the activities of the South East LHIN and local health providers for the three-year period from April 2016 to March 2019 with the goal to ensure that individuals have better access to the most appropriate health services focused on their needs. The South East LHIN relies on information gathered through community engagement, to make decisions about health system transformation, health service delivery, and funding allocations.

In addition, community feedback will help to inform the long-term decision making for the future distribution of hospital services through the four Quinte Health Care hospitals, as one piece of a sustainable health care system. Quinte Health Care will use the



input from the community engagement in order to make the decisions based on what patients, families and community members have identified as their health care priorities. This includes helping to determine what services need to be delivered within a new hospital in Picton, or services better delivered by other health care providers in the community.

“Through this community engagement process, we are looking forward to working with our communities and our partners to determine how we can best meet local health care needs in a sustainable health care system,” said Steve Blakely, QHC Board Chair. “We have an opportunity to build creative and sustainable solutions and would encourage everyone in the Quinte region to provide their input.”

### Provide your input

1. Go to [www.healthcaretomorrow.ca](http://www.healthcaretomorrow.ca) to complete a survey and learn more.
2. Attend an open house event on May 19, anytime between 3 and 7 p.m. Prince Edward Community Centre 375 D Main Street, Picton
3. Call (613) 969-7400, 5410 to request a paper copy of the survey.

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