

## PRESS RELEASE

Cancer Patients at The Moncton Hospital will Continue to have Access to a Support Funds Thanks to NB Docs Cycling Against Cancer Ride

June 22, 2022 (Moncton) – Cancer patients at The Moncton Hospital (TMH) will continue to have access to two support funds thanks to donors to the NB Docs Cycling Against Cancer (NBDCAC) Ride.

Greg King, Friends' President and CEO is delighted to announce that monies raised for this year's NBDCAC will top up both **The Angel Fund** and **The Rebecca Schofield Fund** assisting cancer patients whose financial situation is a barrier to care and recovery.

"Sustaining these two funds is critical for those with cancer facing hardship. Providing patients with financial support means they can focus, simply and solely, on fighting cancer," remarks King.

The Angel Fund was established in 2003 (by the late Cindy Hewitt) from funds raised through the long-standing annual Hillsborough Fashions Gala providing financial and other assistance to women dealing with breast cancer. The Rebecca Schofield Fund, established in 2019, helps all cancer patients with things that often get overlooked - with the intent to transform a "struggle into a smile" - in keeping with honouring Becca's legacy.

Cancer patients often deal with extra financial burdens brought on by missing work and added treatment expenses. These funds support such things as, transportation to and from chemotherapy treatments, wigs, prostheses, grocery cards, a prescription top-up, a bus pass and more, offering cancer patients the opportunity to live more comfortably, with dignity and improved emotional health.

It is important to continue donating to these funds to help people in small ways, indefinitely. Both funds are endowed and managed by the Social Workers at TMH. Over 18,000 cancer patients seek oncology services at The Moncton Hospital each year.

The NB Docs Against Cycling Ride was started in 2015. So far, \$546,000 has been raised for cancer initiatives at the Dr. Sheldon H. Rubin Oncology Clinic and the inpatient unit at TMH.

To donate, visit online at www.NBDocsCAC.com or mail to the Friends of The Moncton Hospital Foundation, 135 MacBeath Avenue, Moncton, NB E1C 6Z8.

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The Friends of The Moncton Hospital has been the philanthropic arm of The Moncton Hospital since 1965. We work to inspire giving to fund new technologies, innovation, renovated spaces and placing the right tools in the hands of our medical staff to strengthen patient care.

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