



Ontario Improving Quality Care and Patient Flow in Thunder Bay *Province providing funding to support Alternative Level of Care and Patient Flow initiatives*

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Thunder Bay — To support Ontario’s innovative models of care, MPP Holland announced \$1,284,600 in funding through the Alternative Levels of Care (ALC) and Patient Flow initiatives. Funding will be provided to the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre.

“This funding from the Ministry of Health is imperative to help support Ontario’s new innovative models of care”, **said Kevin Holland, MPP for Thunder Bay – Atikokan.** “The funding will be used by the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre to assist with a program to divert patients by leveraging current Community Support Services. This will enable people to stay at home instead of being hospitalized and help remove some of the pressures on our hospitals and emergency rooms.”

“This funding will allow us to be more responsive to the core needs of our patients, and provide more enhanced and patient specific support throughout their hospital stay.”

Said Dr. Rhonda Crocker Ellacott, President & CEO of the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre. “The support will have a positive impact on the quality and experience of care for patients and families, while also improving the experience for staff and physicians who are involved in the care needs of patients.”

This funding is part of the Ontario government’s \$131 million investment to reduce ALC cases across the province and support patient flow from hospitals to more appropriate settings, ensuring patients and their families can connect to the care they need, closer to home.

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