



JOSEPH BRANT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ANNOUNCES NEW MODEL OF CARE FOR ITS INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

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Today Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital announced a new model of care for its ICU. It is a co-management model of care that brings together intensivists (specialists in critical care) and other specialists in the care of critically ill patients. The intensivists will be responsible for admissions to the ICU and will facilitate the timely transfer of patients in and out of the ICU.

Anne Marie Macdonald, Interim Vice President, Patient Care Services & Chief Nursing Executive, says that “this new model is best practice and ensures that the sickest of patients receive the level of care they need when they need it.”

This model of care in the ICU ensures continuity of care with the added value to the patient of the expert critical care management provided by the intensivist. “This is the industry standard of care,” says Dr. Stephanie Robbins, Chief of Medicine. “It’s what everyone aims for.”

In addition to improving care for patients at Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital, it also enables the hospital to better fulfill its role in the LHIN as a Level III ICU. “The ICU services offered at JBMH are essential to the citizens of Burlington as well as those throughout our LHIN,” commented Pat Mandy, CEO of the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network (HNHB LHIN). “We are pleased to see the hospital moving toward a model that supports coordinated access to intensive care services for the citizens in the LHIN.”

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