

## New MRI Will Reduce Wait Times For Lindsay Residents

### *McGuinty Government Improving Access To Diagnostic Scans*

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Lindsay residents will now benefit from reduced wait times for MRI scans with a new MRI machine now in service at Ross Memorial Hospital.

This is the first MRI at the hospital and is expected to provide over 3,000 scans every year for residents in Lindsay and the surrounding area. The new machine will make it easier for people who need an MRI scan to get tested and treated more quickly, and provide the peace of mind of knowing the care they need is closer to home.

Today's announcement is part of the government's [Open Ontario Plan](#) to provide more access to health care services while improving quality and accountability for patients.

#### QUOTES

"This new MRI, a first at Ross Memorial Hospital, is an important health care investment for the residents of Lindsay. It means patients will not only have more access and less of a wait for scans at nearby hospitals, but also the peace of mind knowing that quality health care is close to home."  
Deb Matthews, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

"This is a growing community with growing health needs. This MRI will help us meet those needs."  
- Ross Memorial Hospital President and CEO, Brian Payne

"I'm thrilled to be here to take part in the opening of the first MRI machine at the Ross Memorial Hospital. This new MRI will be an invaluable healthcare resource for Lindsay and is an excellent example of what a community dedicated to improving patient care can achieve."  
- Rick Johnson, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock

#### QUICK FACTS

- The province is investing \$800,000 in annual operating funding for the new MRI at Ross Memorial Hospital.
- There are currently 80 MRI machines operating in Ontario's hospitals.
- Since 2003, 19 new MRI machines have been added to hospitals across the province.

#### LEARN MORE

Learn more about the [Ontario Wait Time Strategy](#).

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