

## RESEARCH & FELLOWSHIPS

In 2013, The Foundation continued to support the world-class medical research that takes place across Hamilton Health Sciences. This support takes many forms, from funding for academic chairs and fellowships to grants for research studies and clinical trials.

## REDEVELOPMENT

Redevelopment at Hamilton Health Sciences is an ongoing need as the range of programs and patient volumes continue to grow. It is essential to ensure an environment that is conducive to health and healing, while meeting clinical needs.

## OUR MISSION

To raise funds and manage donor gifts for the purpose of supporting outstanding clinical care and research for the communities served by Hamilton Health Sciences.

## OUR VISION

A community fully embracing the importance of health, while enabling excellence in philanthropy and the achievement of our goal of Health Care, Transformed.

## OUR CREED

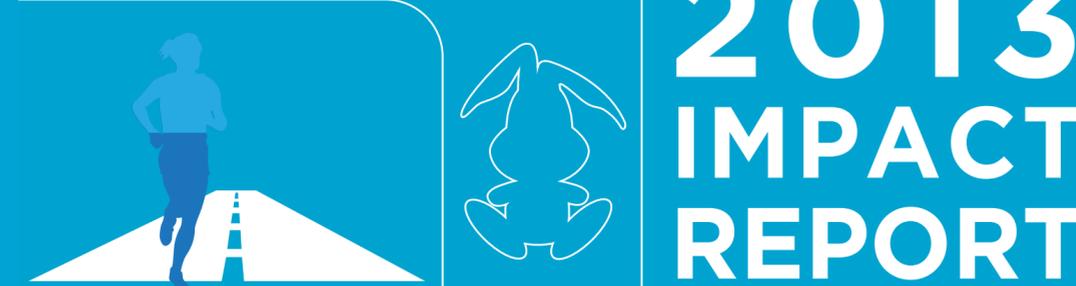
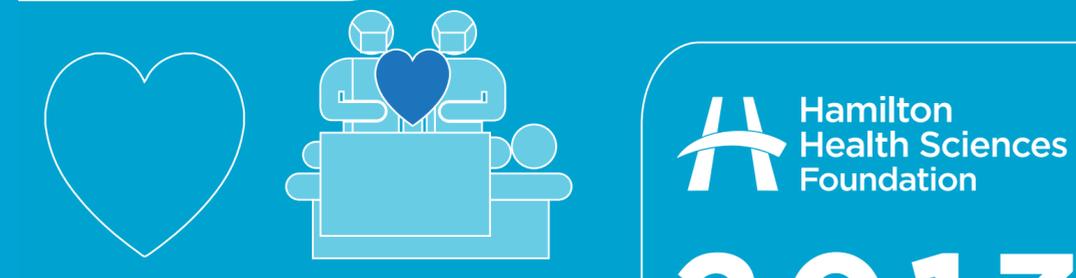
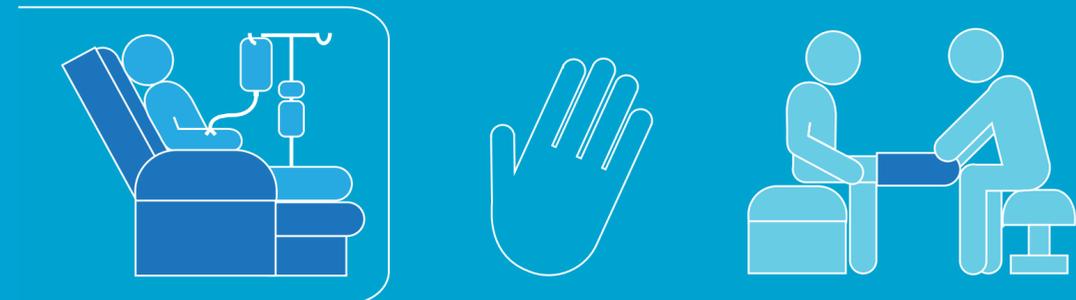
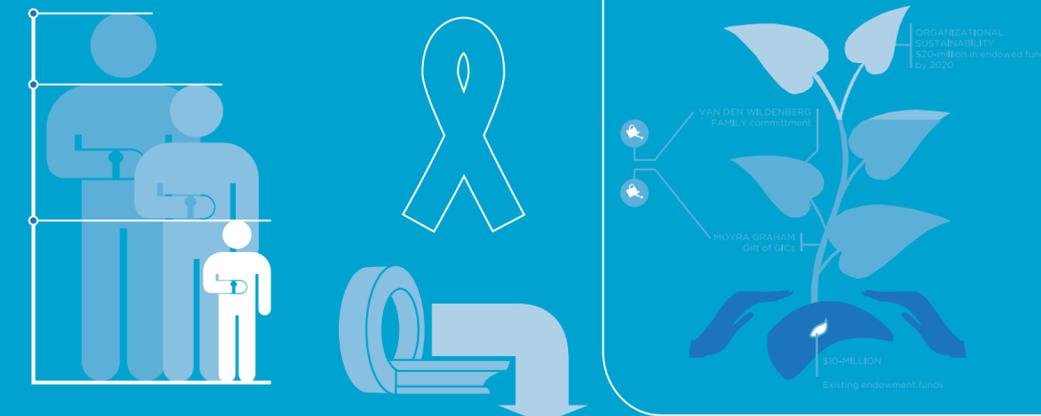
Each dawn brings into our world a new mosaic of people, patients, staff, and critical needs. Needs for funding to support patient care, medical equipment, specialized programs, education and research. It is a unique blend of needs that inspires us to do our very best.

While we are a mosaic, each one of us unique in our skills and talents, we are united in our desire to make a difference as we bring our own passion and commitment to our roles. It is our desire to inspire those we encounter on our daily journey to join with us, as we raise funds to support our region's health and well-being.

We seek to inspire by telling the stories of our patients and our staff. They are the friends, families and loved ones of people who rely on the care we support. It is their stories that have the power to influence and transform an idea or thought into a gift.

Gifts come in many forms, each has its own unique value and role in supporting our Foundation. We remain focused on inspiring the confidence of the community as their charity of choice. A charity that welcomes all contributions great and small that will provide for the needs of our hospitals. A contribution that enables each hospital in our family to have the equipment and environment that enables caring and compassionate health care.

An environment, where through funding for world-leading research, the next treatment, cause or cure can be found. Each day we remain focused on those who can help us to transform a life. The life of today's patient or tomorrow's. Together, we are united as we commit to our goal of achieving *Health Care, Transformed*.



**Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation**

# 2013 IMPACT REPORT

## EQUIPMENT

Access to state-of-the-art medical equipment and technology is key to providing the best care to patients. The government does not fund the purchase of hospital equipment, so the support of our donors is crucial.

## EDUCATION & BURSARIES

Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation is committed to investing in the ongoing education of the individuals and teams across the organization. We support a wide range of scholarships, prizes and bursaries to support individuals at various stages of their careers.

**HEALTH CARE, TRANSFORMED.**



### ARTFUL MOMENTS

Through his grief, Richard Garwood-Jones was determined to honour the legacy of his parents and continue their support for St. Peter's Hospital. His father, Trevor was the architect of St. Peter's Hospital and its Alexander Pavilion. He also served for many years as a member of the Hospital's fundraising council. His mother Catherine, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease, was a former patient.

Tragically, Richard lost both of his parents within nine months of each other in 2012. When he was approached to help fund an art therapy program for patients with dementia, he knew that he had found a fitting way to pay tribute to their memory.

"Artful Moments" was launched in September 2013, to help enrich the lives of patients with dementia. This unique program, run in partnership with the Art Gallery of Hamilton, provides patients with meaningful opportunities for creativity and self-expression through art appreciation and art-making activities.

You can watch a video about Artful Moments at <http://vimeo.com/74168628>

*Richard Garwood-Jones pays tribute to his parents' memory at the official launch of the Artful Moments Program.*



### NEW SCHOLARSHIP BOOSTS NURSING RESEARCH CAPACITY

In November, MSc candidate, Lindsay Yuille became the first recipient of the Graduate Nursing Student Scholarship Award. The Scholarship, which was made possible thanks to a generous donation to Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre Foundation from the Lewis and Ruth Sherman Foundation, comes with a fellowship position with the Canadian Centre of Excellence in Oncology Advanced Practice Nursing (OAPN).

In accepting the award, Lindsay joins the team at OAPN, the first and only nursing research unit established by a cancer program in Canada. In following with OAPN's mandate, she will conduct and support oncology nursing and advanced practice nursing related research initiatives with the goal of improving access to high quality, patient-centred cancer services locally, provincially and nationally.

The scholarship also provides her with protected time and the research infrastructure to conduct her thesis study, as well as enhanced research training, mentorship and the opportunity to participate as a co-investigator on OAPN research projects.

**EQUIPMENT**  
\$4.75M 44.4%

**RESEARCH & FELLOWSHIPS**  
\$2.36M 22.1%

**EDUCATION & BURSARIES**  
\$0.36M 4.5%

**REDEVELOPMENT**  
\$3.23M 30%

**\$10.7M**  
DISBURSED\*

### ENHANCING SAFETY OF NEXT GENERATION BLOOD-THINNERS

As the use of next generation blood-thinners becomes more widespread, urgent clinical issues not answered by the clinical trials that lead to their adoption are being raised. Internationally respected thrombosis specialist Dr. John Eikelboom is directing a research study to improve the efficacy and safety of Rivaroxaban, one of the new anti-clotting agents likely to become a treatment of choice for many patients.

This research was made possible by a donation from Affinity Biologicals Inc. specifically supporting Dr. Eikelboom and his team made through Hamilton General Hospital Foundation. The Hamilton-based bio-tech company, started by fellow researchers Hugh and Patty Hoogendoorn, originated as a spin-off from Hamilton Health Sciences' and McMaster University's joint research programs and has a long history of support for The Foundation.

The study will identify the best screening tests to check Rivaroxaban blood levels and provide practical guidelines for clinicians on how to interpret the results by establishing expected reference ranges in individuals. The findings will help to assess and manage patients taking the medication who experience bleeding, recurrent blood clots or require urgent surgery, and will help to optimise outcomes in future studies looking at dosage adjustment when blood levels fall outside specified ranges.



### ANGIOGRAPHY SUITE OPENING

Fourteen-year-old MacKid, Jessica Wilson delivered a heartfelt thank you to the "silent heroes" of health care at the official opening of a state-of-the-art angiography suite on December 17.

The \$1.3-million campaign to fund the angiography suite was supported by Scotiabank and Scotiabankers, The Mike Weir Foundation and The Mike Weir Miracle Golf Drive for Kids, Dufferin Concrete, as well as many individual donors and corporate partners.

The new angiography suite is equipped with sophisticated technology that produces high resolution, real-time images of tissues inside the body with the lowest dose of radiation possible. Last year, 1,800 children underwent a procedure in the angiography suite at McMaster Children's Hospital –the only place in south-central Ontario where children can access this amazing technology.



*Above: Mike Weir visiting MacKid Erin.*

*Below: Bryan Butcher, Branch Manager; Flavia Mancuso, Branch Manager; Kim Karges District Vice President, Hamilton Niagara; MacKid Jessica Wilson; Chris Stager, District Vice President Ontario South Central.*

\*Our audited financial statements are available on our website and also by contacting Sandra Wilson, Chief Financial Officer at 905-521-2100, ext 44385 or at [wilsonsan@hhsc.ca](mailto:wilsonsan@hhsc.ca)