

What Is Happening to Brampton's Hospital?

Brampton Health Coalition

~ Privatization & Cost Overruns
~ Cuts

~ Closure of Peel Memorial
~ Secrecy

The new hospital is built as a multi-billion dollar privatized "Public Private Partnership" P3 deal with a group of multinational consortium (a group of profit-seeking companies and financiers).

Difference between Brampton's privatized P3 hospital and a normal non-profit public hospital		
	Normal non-profit public hospital	Brampton's new privatized P3 hospital
Costs	Government pays to build the hospital which is run thereafter as a non-profit public service.	Multinational profit-seeking consortium paid to build the hospital. The financing deal is structured to pay for their profits (which amount to hundreds of millions of dollars) from the hospital's budget and our taxes for 25 years.
Privatization	Most services are run on a non-profit basis, under full control of hospital management. Some services, like cleaning, are sometimes privatized in 2-3 year contracts that the hospital can cancel at any time with 6 months notice.	All the patient support services, including patient records, transporting patients around the hospital, disinfection, security etc. are taken over by the multinational consortium and run for their own profit for 25 years.
Control	The hospital board is in charge. The hospital is run according to its mandate to provide health services to the community.	About 1/2 of the hospital is controlled by the for-profit companies and run according to their mandate to extract maximum profit out of those services for their investors. If there are quality problems, the hospital board has to follow a legal process set out in the contract to try to assert control. At every stage, the cost of legal proceedings comes out of the clinical budget of the hospital.

At every stage in the development of our new hospital, Bramptonians have been misled about the privatization, the size and the costs of the new hospital

Promised	What Happened?
608 beds in new hospital plus 112 beds in Peel Memorial site by 2006 = 720 beds in our community	479 beds by 2007 in new hospital, Peel Memorial closed down = 479 beds in our community
The new hospital would cost \$325-\$350 million (bricks and mortar)	The most recent cost is \$650 million (bricks and mortar) and \$887 million (with equipment)
The local fundraising required would be around \$100 million over 25 years	The local fundraising required is \$230 - \$260 million by October 2007

The Costs and Consequences of the P3 Privatization

“Brampton residents still have to come up with \$127 million to pay for the new Brampton Civic Hospital-- and the bill comes due this fall.

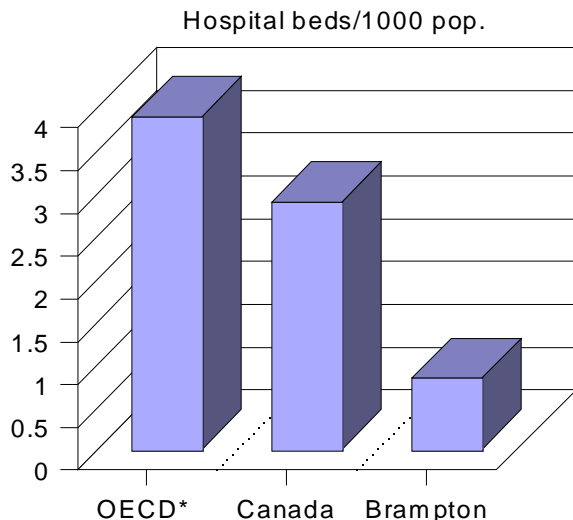
Hospital officials are now saying residents will pay that bill-- one way or another-- either in cash, or by giving up health care services” Metroland - Brampton Division Friday, June 1, 2007 / Brampton Guardian, Pam Douglas, Staff Writer

“With less than three weeks to go before Brampton Civic Hospital opens its doors, the community is struggling to raise the more than \$200 million needed to meet its funding responsibilities.” thestar.com October 12, 2007

“EVERY 1 MILLION DOLLARS PAID ON DEBT CHARGES WILL RESULT IN THE LOSS OF TEN NURSES” Bob Richards, Hospital CEO, May 30, 2007, Brampton City Council meeting

Brampton Bed Shortages

Brampton's hospital bed numbers compared to the rest of Canada and Europe



When Brampton's William Olser Health Centre reaches 608 beds in 2012 the population forecast is 526,000.

There will be only 1.16 beds per 1000 people.

What We Need

- A clear plan to increase the number of hospital beds to meet the community's need with the province making up the local funding shortfall
- Clear plan to increase beds to meet projected population need
- No more privatized P3 hospitals
- An audit by the Provincial Auditor General into the Brampton privatized P3 deal
- Public consultation on the community's health care needs and a transparent process to create a full plan to meet these needs – with a timeline

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