SAVE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES!

What's at stake?

Democracy and local control
The proposed merger of the Huronia District Hospital (HDH) with the Penetanguishene General Hospital (PGH) under the sponsorship of the Catholic Health Corporation of Ontario has taken everybody by surprise. There was no public discussion or debate about the merger until some HDH board members resigned in protest. This is not acceptable. Our hospital should remain public and accountable to the whole community.

Loss of full range of health services
Our community stands to lose the full range of health services, including reproductive health services such as abortion, tubal ligation and vasectomies. Other concerns arise out of this ill-conceived proposal, including end-of-life issues and health services for our gay and lesbian community members.

Our community fought for a full range of health services and we can win this fight too!

What you can do

1. **Buy a membership** at HDH and vote at the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) to stop the take-over.

2. **Contact George Smitherman, Minister of Health & Long-term Care.** Tell him to find a long-term solution:
Phone: 416-327-4300, Fax 416-326-1571
Email: gsmitherman.mpp@liberal.ola.org
Mail to: The Honourable George Smitherman, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, 80 Grosvenor Street, 10th Floor, Hepburn Block, Toronto, ON, M7A 2C4

3. **Contact Garfield Dunlop**, Member of Provincial Parliament, to voice your concern:
Phone: (705) 526-8671
Mail to: Garfield Dunlop, MPP, 482 Elizabeth Street, Midland, ON, L4R 1Z8

4. **Make this proposed merger a major election issue for the October 10 provincial election** – do all the candidates pledge to maintain health services for all our community?

5. **Sign and circulate the petition and keep organizing in the community!** Go to www.ontariohealthcoalition.ca to download. Keep the pressure on!

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