

Services de santé de Chapleau Health Services Unveils New Palliative Care Suite



In Photo: From left to right: Anne Morris, Director of Clinical Services, Gail Bignucolo, Chief Executive Officer and Stephen Lee, Foundation Coordinator.

Staff at Services de santé de Chapleau Health Services unveiled the facility's new palliative suite on May 29, 2015.

After major renovations, the suite has evolved from a single private room to a larger than normal bedroom, bathroom and sitting area. The suite is designed to allow for specialized palliative care yet with comfortable, private space for visitors with access to refreshments. Many people don't know what palliative care is – it is specialized care and support provided for someone with a life limiting illness and this care is also often extended to care and support for family and caregivers. The new suite will enhance patients' end of life care by providing them and their family members with a comfortable, quiet, homelike atmosphere to experience the final stage of life.

The suite is in line with our mission and vision at SSCHS to meet the needs of the residents of our community. SSCHSs' long time goal was to have a palliative care suite and we couldn't have accomplished this goal without the many hands and hard work that went into it.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to the Chapleau Palliative Care Companion for their generous donation of \$2,150 towards the finishing touches to the new suite.



In photo: Jamie Fiaschetti, Registered Nurse Team Leader, accepts cheque from Chapleau Palliative Care Companions, Sheila Wilson, Carolyn Kay and Pierrette Ouellette.