



News Release

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Grand Opening of the Regional Rehabilitation Centre, the Hamilton General Hospital Campus

Toronto, September 1, 2009—PRISM Partners Inc. (PRISM), Project Manager, attended the grand opening of Hamilton Health Sciences' Regional Rehabilitation Centre at the Hamilton General Hospital campus. This 91-bed, three-storey, 100,000 sq. ft. facility houses rehabilitation services for patients who have suffered strokes, spinal cord injuries, amputations, and acquired brain injuries. It also accommodates all ambulatory and outreach rehabilitation services.

Constructed in a build-finance model, this \$60M building consolidates rehabilitation and services that were previously located in 14 different buildings to one site. Notable building features include a therapy pool on the ground floor with four distinct levels, overhead lifts for handicap access, and a ramp for wheelchair access; a pedestrian bridge that improves access for staff and patients between the existing Hamilton General building and the new Regional Rehabilitation Centre; and the first-of-its-kind outdoor therapy track which allows patients to practice their mobility on various surfaces including wood, stone and concrete pavement.

In addition to performing complex early works to prepare the site for the new building facilities, and facilitating a public Request for Qualifications/Request for Proposal, PRISM provided project management services, supervised consultants and sub-consultants throughout the design and construction process. In addition, PRISM assisted Hamilton Health Sciences with the development of the project governance and organizational structures to support an Alternative Financing and Procurement model.

Key performance outcomes for PRISM's engagement included a final delivery of the project, on time and on budget, as well as promoting a collaborative culture between the owner, contractor and designer which resulted in efficiencies in the design, construction and operation of the new facility

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