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New Chair sees exciting challenges ahead for YHF Board



Neil LeBlanc may be the new chair of the Yarmouth Hospital Foundation (YHF), but he's played a major role in positioning the Foundation for the future.

Neil has been instrumental in the process of accreditation by Imagine Canada, which is granted only to agencies that have developed the highest policies and standards.

"We're one of only three foundations in Nova Scotia and one of 200 in Canada that has accomplished that," he

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New surgical table will help expand services

The Yarmouth Hospital Foundation is launching its annual Christmas Appeal with the goal of raising \$76,400 for the purchase of a state-of-the-art surgical table.

The table offers more precise positioning of the patient, which improves access for the surgeon and also is critical for delivering the right dosage of anesthesia, says Yarmouth Regional Hospital Medical Site Lead and general surgeon Dr. Chris Murphy.

Orthopaedic surgeons, among others, will be able to do more kinds of procedures, he says. This brings the added benefit of reducing the need to travel for patients to receive surgical treatment.

"Our regional hospital touches the lives of many individuals and families every single day," says Board Chair Neil LeBlanc.



Dr. Chris Murphy says the new table will replace one that is nearing the end of its useful life.

"Together with your help, our care teams will have the tools and support they need to provide the best care possible in keeping our families and our community healthy."

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- e-Transfer to: info@yarmouthhospitalfoundation.ca
- Online: yarmouthhospitalfoundation.ca

e-Transfer now an option for donors

The Yarmouth Hospital Foundation has expanded its ways to give by accepting e-Transfer donations using the email address: info@yarmouthhospitalfoundation.ca

Please be sure to include your name, full address, phone number, email address and add any other information in the Message field. This allows us to issue a charitable tax receipt. For how-to details, go to our website — yarmouthhospitalfoundation.ca/e-transfer.



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"The point is not to pay back kindness but to pass it on." ~ Julia Alvarez