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An update for Friends Supporters

**Friends Foundation to Raise
\$1.1 Million to Address Gaps in
Hands On Learning and
Support the Retention,
Recruitment, and Education of
Medical Staff**

Hands on learning is fundamental in many workplaces, and The Moncton Hospital (TMH) is no different – especially when lives can be saved. The Friends Foundation wants to ensure our team can do just that by investing in advanced equipment and innovative technology for two health care simulation spaces.

These Simulation Labs (Sim Labs) will be designed to allow our health care providers to practice and hone their skills through real life scenarios on lifelike, computerized “smart mannequins”.

Simulationist, Dr. Angus MacDonald says a Sim Lab and its many benefits touches us all – as both patients and providers. “It affects every discipline and reaches every inch of our hospital. It can even help us recruit and retain health care professionals, including physicians and nurses,” remarks Dr. MacDonald.

Two modern Sim Labs at TMH will allow our health care team to have the appropriate space to practice communication, teamwork, and skills we use to treat sick patients – everything from routine procedures to delivering babies, to life-saving procedures and surgery –

ultimately saving lives. Although the smart mannequins may not be real, the lessons learned, and lives saved will be.

The Foundation’s vision is to raise \$1.1 Million:

- \$850,000 for equipment and technology for two Sim Labs at TMH and
- \$250,000 for the creation of an endowment to support the retention, recruitment, and education of medical staff.

Foundation Board Chair, Ryan Dillon, says this endowment would continue to grow over time and support our medical system’s human resource needs. “We are delighted that our first project is funding three scholarships per year for family doctors, on the condition that they practice in Greater Moncton upon graduation,” offered Dillon.

Over time, the project has the potential to provide thousands of patients in our region with a family doctor. We have learned that when medical staff get their start here, they often stay.



Simulationists Dr. Angus MacDonald and Jacquelynn Carter, RN, EM/Critical Care