



Issue #20 July 2018

Engage

...from Fannie Vavoulis, Director, Chief Communications & Community Engagement Officer

It's summer time! Weather has been hot and for those of us who are summer fans – it has been a fantastic July! For the farmers, not so much. Here's hoping for more hot days with a little more rain.

Even though it's summer – things haven't slowed down at CKHA. Please take a moment to read some of the work that has taken place over the last month.

Capital Planning

This year our capital planning process took place with the assistance of the Quality Utilization Resource (QUR) committee. QUR is made up from our medical and administrative Directors who presented to one another and then determined the organizational priorities. The recommendations from QUR were then shared with Senior Leadership Team who added other items related to staff safety and then approved.. Hospitals need allocations for operating and for capital equipment and renovations. Of our \$150 million budget the Board established a \$1.5 million capital allocation. This allocation also includes some contingency funds in the event that something needs to be repaired or replaced mid-year that we did not anticipate. This is in addition to the major investment in Health Information System renewal of over \$20 million that is to occur over the next two years and the nearly \$8 million power plant renewal in Wallaceburg that was previously announced. Minor equipment approvals (items under \$3,000) are within managers' budgets and do not appear on this list. Finally, we work with our partners at the Foundation to identify priority equipment that they can support through donations.

The approved major equipment list is as follows:

Approved Capital items for 2018/19

Functional Centre	Description	Supporting Reason	Approved June 25, 2018
Diagnostic Imaging	Chatham Portable X ray unit	Equipment replacement	239,025
Corporate	Access control system - server upgrade	Health & Safety	30,840
Medical Device Reprocessing	Instrument tracking system	Health & Safety	66,000
Corporate	Beds/Stretchers/ Mattresses	Corporate Initiative	200,000
Corporate	Staff Duress System	Corporate Initiative	200,000
Operating Room	Pneumatic Tourniquet	Health & Safety	90,000
Women &Children	Surgical Lighting	Equipment replacement	24,660
IP Psych	Anti-ligature sinks/fixtures in patient rooms	Health & Safety	60,000
Women &Children	Colposcope	Equipment replacement	11,355
IP Psych	Renovation of Tub Room	Health & Safety	27,448
OR	Dual Compartment Warming Cabinet	Equipment replacement	9,400
Lab	Histology Automatic Stainer and Coverslipper	Equipment replacement	117,600
Lab	Refrigerated Centrifuge	Equipment replacement	14,000
HR	ID Badge Printer, Camera, Software	Equipment replacement	3,879
Staff Scheduling	Autodialer	Improved efficiency	20,000
IT	Computer room upgrades Chatham & Wallaceburg System reliability		72,145
IT	Firewall Network Switch	System reliability	35,000
Emergency	Transport Defibrillator	Equipment replacement	30,000
Emergency	Pediatric Infusion pump	Accessibility	10,000

Security Update

We have seen some increase in vandalism and thefts in our parking lots recently. We ask that you report any suspicious activity that you may witness and do not approach the person committing the crime. Our security team works closely with the Chatham-Kent Police Services (CKPS) when reporting these crimes and CKPS handle investigations. Reminder to lock your car doors and not leave anything valuable in your car. This is also a good opportunity to remind staff to keep valuables including cellphones and purses in a safe place during work hours.

Directory of Extensions

As recommended by the “Experience CKHA” working group of WeRCKHA, we are happy to report that the phone extensions of all employees are now available on the directory on the intranet, Microsoft Outlook Global Address Book, and the Cisco Phone Corporate Directory. This function will be maintained by the Human Resources Department for new or transferring employees.

. Please know for those who do not have a work extension specific to them (for example Medicine Unit or Housekeeping Department), we have worked with managers to establish the main contact number to be used for all employees in that unit/department.

To assist us in ensuring your phone extension is listed correctly, please check to see if your phone extension is correct by going into the outlook address book to verify. If your phone extension is incorrect, please contact Shauna Vankerkhoven in the Human Resources Department at extension 5060.

Don't Forget! Accreditation Summer School

Accreditation Academy Sessions have been going strong through the month of July. There will be more sessions through August. If you haven't been able to attend – you are able to view the sessions online. The first session can be viewed [here](#). There are two Accreditation Academy sessions scheduled every Wednesday in the Erie Meeting Room, from 1200-1230 and 1400-1500, ending on August 22nd. Those who attend Accreditation Academy are rewarded with ice cream!

Enjoy the weather! Thanks for reading!

Fannie Vavoulis

Director, Chief Communications & Community Engagement Officer

fvavoulis@ckha.on.ca

519.437.6143