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### **Donors Fund Equipment for Chemotherapy at Geraldton District Hospital**

*Geraldton, ON* - On Monday, October 26, staff at Geraldton District Hospital were on hand to accept a grant for \$8,500 from the Northern Cancer Fund of the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation to fund the purchase of a new triple channel infusion pump for chemotherapy patients. The grant was made possible thanks to donors to the Northern Cancer Fund.

“We’re delighted with today’s announcement and the continued support of donors to the Northern Cancer Fund,” said Laurie Heerema, Chief Nursing Officer, Geraldton District Hospital. “Patients can choose to receive their chemotherapy here in Geraldton, which is a huge advantage, as they can remain closer to home, family and friends. With the addition of this infusion pump, we will have a dedicated pump for cancer patients, which enhances the safety of the treatment provided at our site.”

The grant represents an ongoing commitment by the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation to provide exceptional cancer care for patients in Geraldton and surrounding communities. Last year funding was provided for a chemotherapy pump and vital sign monitor.

“Our donors are the heroes who make these investments come to life,” said Glenn Craig, President and CEO, Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation. “We’re honoured to be the charity of choice amongst individuals and businesses in our region who believe passionately about the gift of exceptional healthcare in Northwestern Ontario. Recently, Tbaytel made a significant gift that extended their already very generous support of healthcare in our region, and it is thanks to them, and many other donors that the Health Sciences Foundation can provide funding for critical equipment purchases, like the infusion pump that was announced today.”

“Tbaytel is very proud to support the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation and the Northern Cancer Fund and we are thrilled to help provide this much needed chemotherapy equipment,” said Tbaytel President and CEO Dan Topatigh. “We are committed to supporting the people and organizations helping to create strong, healthy and vibrant communities and our support of this grant is the perfect example of how that commitment is being made a reality.”

OUR MISSION: **To inspire people of Northwestern Ontario to give generously to advance our healthcare at Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre.**

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The Northern Cancer Fund of the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Foundation is proud to raise funds that 100% dedicated to providing exceptional cancer care for residents of Northwestern Ontario. More information about the impact of gifts can be found on the Health Sciences Foundation's website at [www.healthsciencesfoundation.ca](http://www.healthsciencesfoundation.ca).

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