

# IMAGING THE FUTURE: A NEW MRI

## INVESTING IN PRECISION CARE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

**Every day at Royal Inland Hospital (RIH), people come seeking answers.** For someone experiencing stroke symptoms, a patient waiting to confirm a cancer diagnosis, or a family searching for clarity about a loved one's condition, medical imaging often provides the critical first step toward treatment.

At RIH, our MRI scanner is one of the hospital's most essential tools, working around the clock to detect and diagnose serious conditions including cancer, neurological disorders, heart disease, and traumatic injuries.

But demand is growing rapidly. To continue delivering the highest level of care to the **250,000+ people who rely on RIH**, we must invest in the next generation of imaging technology. That's why we are expanding access with a second MRI, ensuring more timely care for the Thompson Cariboo Shuswap region, which has long relied on a single machine.

**A new \$2.5 million MAGNETOM Flow.Elite MRI machine, located in the new Kamloops Radiation Centre**, will transform how quickly and accurately we can diagnose illness.

**Because when answers come faster, treatment can begin sooner and lives can change for the better...**



### *Faster Answers When Time Matters Most.*

Advanced MRI technology will significantly improve scanning speed and efficiency, helping reduce waitlists and giving patients quicker access to critical diagnostic imaging. Faster scans mean patients receive answers sooner, allowing treatment to begin when every moment matters.

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## *Clearer Images. More Confident Diagnoses.*

The new MRI system will provide high-resolution imaging powered by advanced software and artificial intelligence, helping physicians detect abnormalities earlier and with greater precision. From cancer detection to neurological and cardiac imaging, clinicians will have clearer information to guide care decisions.



## *A More Comfortable Experience.*

The new MRI system is designed with patient comfort in mind. Quieter scans, a wider opening, and improved positioning supports will create a more comfortable and less stressful imaging experience, helping patients remain relaxed and improving scan quality.



## *Strengthening Care for Our Community.*

This investment will enhance the experience for both patients and healthcare teams, enabling faster workflows, more precise diagnoses, and better overall care. Together, with the support of our community, we are ensuring that people across the Interior have access to effective, timely, diagnostic imaging close to home.

*“The new RIH MRI machine being housed in the Kamloops Radiation Centre means we can detect disease earlier and accurately diagnose conditions with greater precision. For our patients, that translates into faster answers and the ability to begin treatment sooner. - Dr. Robert Colistro, Dept Head, RIH Medical Imaging*

*“Currently with only one MRI scanner in the Thompson Cariboo region it is essential to add a second MRI to keep up with growing need. This second MRI will significantly expand our ability to provide timely, life-changing diagnostic care.” - Harley Salmond, Director, Medical Imaging Operations, Thompson Cariboo*



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