

For Immediate Release
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Media Advisory and Photo Opportunity

Scotiabank boosts new hospital project with \$100,000 gift

What: The Honourable John van Dongen, MLA for Abbotsford – Clayburn and Minister of State for Intergovernmental Relations and Abbotsford Mayor George Ferguson will join representatives from Scotiabank and A Campaign for Health Care Excellence to celebrate the grand opening of Scotiabank's new Glenn Mountain Village branch. Scotiabank will also announce a \$100,000 donation over five years to A Campaign for Health Care Excellence in support of the new Abbotsford Regional Hospital & Cancer Centre.

Where: Unit # 106 - 2618 McMillan Road, Abbotsford

When: Tuesday, April 10, 2007, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (photo opp. at 10:15 a.m.)

Why: A Campaign for Health Care Excellence is a partnership between the Fraser Valley Health Care Foundation and the B.C. Cancer Foundation to raise \$7.5 million for enhancements to technology and cancer research programs at the new Abbotsford Regional Hospital & Cancer Centre. The cancer centre is the BC Cancer Agency's fifth regional cancer centre and will be well-positioned to provide specialized cancer diagnosis, treatment, supportive care services to residents of the Fraser Valley. The hospital will provide MRI services; general surgery and all inpatient and outpatient surgical services; nuclear medicine; a full renal dialysis program; specialized obstetrics and nursery care; pediatric services; and special adult medical services.

Who: Hon. John van Dongen
George Ferguson
John Groom, Chair, Fraser Valley Health Care Foundation
Mary McNeil, President & CEO, B.C. Cancer Foundation
George Peary, Chair, A Campaign for Health Care Excellence
David Poole, Senior Vice-President, B.C. & Yukon Region, Scotiabank

Highlights:

10:00 a.m. Remarks by Hon. John van Dongen
10:05 a.m. Remarks by Mayor Ferguson
10:10 a.m. Remarks by David Poole
10:15 a.m. Cheque presentation
10:20 a.m. Remarks by George Peary, John Groom and Mary McNeil
10:25 a.m. Ribbon cutting

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