

MEDIA ADVISORY

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STATE OF HEALTHCARE IN OUR REGION: MRHA LEADERSHIP TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF LOCAL HEALTHCARE AT JUNE 23 COMMUNITY FORUM

Almonte, Ontario – As communities across the region continue to grow and demand for healthcare services reaches new levels, the Mississippi River Health Alliance (MRHA) will host an open community forum on June 23 to discuss the realities, accomplishments, and future of local healthcare.

Presented by Allied Boards Chair Michel G. Vermette and President & CEO Brad Harrington, State of Healthcare in Our Region will provide an open and informative discussion about how rapid community growth, changing healthcare needs, financial pressures, and system challenges are shaping the future of care close to home.

Attendees will hear about:

- Major accomplishments and investments across MRHA
- Growing demand for healthcare services across the region
- Current financial realities facing local healthcare providers
- Future priorities for sustainable, accessible care
- How MRHA is planning for the needs of a rapidly growing community

Together, they will share what the organization has accomplished, the financial realities facing local healthcare, what MRHA is navigating as a growing health system, and the importance of sustaining local healthcare for future generations.

What: State of Healthcare in Our Region

Theme: Caring for a Growing Community: The Financial Reality of Local Healthcare

When: Tuesday, June 23, 2026 - 6:30 p.m.

Where: Octagon Room, Almonte General Hospital, 95 Spring Street, Almonte, Ontario

Who: Michel Vermette, Allied Boards Chair & Brad Harrington, President & CEO
Mississippi River Health Alliance

The presentation will be followed by the official Annual Meetings of the Almonte General Hospital Corporation and Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Corporation.

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About the Mississippi River Health Alliance (MRHA)

The Mississippi River Health Alliance (MRHA) was formed in 2016 to formalize and strengthen collaboration between the Almonte General Hospital Corporation—which includes Almonte General Hospital (AGH), Fairview Manor (FVM), and the Lanark County Paramedic Service (LCPS)—and the Carleton Place & District Memorial Hospital Corporation (CPDMH). This partnership delivers seamless, high-quality healthcare that addresses the evolving needs of local communities. Together, the MRHA is building an integrated healthcare system that provides comprehensive care close to home, enhancing access and improving health outcomes throughout the region. For more information visit www.MRHA.ca.