

## Hip & Knee Replacement Surgery: Wait Times Reduced

**November 8, 2007**

The Holland Orthopaedic & Arthritic Centre, located on Wellesley Street in downtown Toronto, is one of the largest hip and knee joint replacement centres in Canada, performing over 1,800 procedures annually. It is the first government-designated Hip and Knee Centre of Excellence in Canada, and is leading innovation in care models and new care provider roles. It is also at the forefront of new surgical procedures such as minimally invasive hip and knee replacement surgery. These leading-edge procedures means less pain, faster recovery and a shorter hospital stay for patients.

Join Holland Orthopaedic Program experts for an educational evening on this very topic on **Wednesday, November 14, 2007**. As part of the Sunnybrook Speaker Series, this talk "Hip & Knee Replacement Surgery: Wait Times Reduced" will highlight issues facing an aging population, with exciting advances and news delivered by our speakers.

Dr. Hans Kreder, chief of the Holland Musculoskeletal Program, will address the aging population in Ontario, current wait times and Ontario's present total joint replacement rates. Susan Robarts, advanced practice physiotherapist with the Holland Program, will talk about the New Assessment Centre, including the vital role of the Advanced Practice Physiotherapist. Dr. Jeffrey Gollish, head of the Holland Centre Arthroplasty Program will talk about exciting advances in surgery and technology.

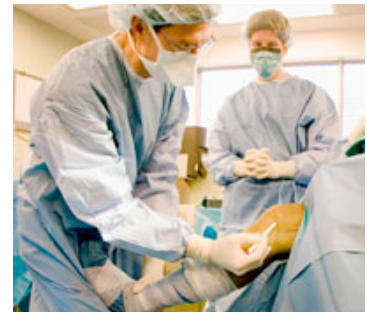
The talk will be held in the McLaughlin Auditorium in the E Wing, Ground Floor. The event is free and free parking will be available in garage one. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

For more information and to RSVP please call 416.480.4117 or e-mail [speaker.series@sunnybrook.ca](mailto:speaker.series@sunnybrook.ca)

As the largest musculoskeletal program in Canada, Sunnybrook's Holland Musculoskeletal Program provides integrated services in orthopaedic surgery, orthopaedic trauma, rheumatology and rehabilitation. It is a key referral centre for complex orthopaedic surgery, including hip and knee joint replacement and reconstruction, shoulder and upper extremity surgery, spine surgery, and pelvic and acetabular reconstruction following injury. There are more than 6,000 surgical procedures performed annually and over 30,000 ambulatory care visits.

The vision of the program is to be the international leader in musculoskeletal care, the first choice for patients, benchmarked by researchers and renowned among educators.

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Sunnybrook surgeons preparing for knee surgery