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Peel Public Health Provides Free Nicotine Replacement through the STOP Study

Peel Public Health is partnering with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health to participate in the Smoking Treatment for Ontario Patients (STOP) Study sponsored by the Ministry of Health Promotion and Pfizer Consumer Health Care Inc.

The purpose of the study is to evaluate the methods and effectiveness of providing Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) to Ontario smokers.

Through the STOP Study, Peel Public Health offers adult smokers:

- FREE one-to-one counselling with a public health nurse
- FREE NRT including:
 - nicotine gum
 - the nicotine patch
 - the nicotine inhaler

Clients can call 905-799-7700 to determine eligibility for participation. A physician referral is not required.

Daytime appointments are available from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm:

- Wednesdays at the Fairview Clinic located at 325 Central Parkway West in Mississauga
- Thursdays at the Meadowvale Clinic located at 6975 Meadowvale Town Centre Circle in Mississauga
- Fridays at the Brampton Clinic located at 150 Central Park Drive in Brampton
- Clients who are ineligible for the STOP study or unable to attend daytime appointments can access the **Peel Public Health Quit Smoking Program**.

Adult smokers receive:

- FREE one-to-one counselling with a public health nurse
- Information about quit smoking medication
- Printed materials
- Carbon monoxide measurements
- Ongoing support and referral to other supportive services as needed

Day and evening appointments are available.

Call 905-799-7700 for details.

Brampton Civic Hospital Opening: October 28, 2007

Congratulations to William Osler Health Centre staff on the opening of Brampton Civic Hospital.

Inpatients from the existing Peel Memorial Hospital will be moved to the new site on Sunday October 28, 2007. The Emergency Department at Brampton Civic Hospital will be accepting new patients after 6:00 am on October 28.

The new hospital will be open to the public on Monday October 29, 2007.

Brampton Civic Hospital is located at 2100 Bovaird Drive East, Brampton, ON L6R 3J7. For updates visit www.williamoslerhc.on.ca.