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RVH honours staff for years of service

Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) recently honoured employees and physicians for their years of service, celebrating their dedication and commitment to the health centre and its patients.

At the Service Awards ceremony, held June 21, RVH honoured Dr. Kenneth Baxter and Dr. Syed Quadri for 45 years of service as physicians. In the staff category, Ken Gould, a special aide with Patient Food Services was recognized for an incredible 45 years while Gail McCuaig, a bed allocation officer in the Utilization Management department reached the 40 year milestone.

These service awards are given to staff and physicians for every five years of employment. This year, 365 members of TEAM RVH, including 49 physicians, were recognized for years of service. Some of those honoured worked at the old RVH site on Ross Street, the current Georgian Drive site and now in the new expansion.

Eleven staff celebrated 35 years of service while 18 staff and nine physicians were acknowledged for 30 years of service. Twenty-four staff and three physicians reached the 25 year milestone, making them part of the Quarter Century Club which will have 705 members.

“At RVH we value people and are committed to recognizing our staff and physicians for their dedication and achieving their best,” says Janice Skot, president and CEO. “This celebration is not just about years of service, but also about the exceptional quality of their service. Whether we honour our staff and physicians for five years or 45 years, what we are truly celebrating, and find so impressive, is the impact they have on the patient experience every day.”

Michael O’Keefe, chair of the RVH Board of Directors, was in attendance and congratulated each of the recipients.

“I applaud each of the employees and physicians honoured at RVH’s Service Awards for their commitment to this health centre and its patients,” says O’Keefe. “It’s because of their skill, compassion and loyalty we are able to promise our patients the safest, best possible experience in our health centre. And without them, we wouldn’t be able to deliver on that promise.”

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Cutline: Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) held its annual Service Awards celebrating 365 staff and physicians for reaching service milestones between five and 45 years. In the staff category, 11 members of TEAM RVH reached the 35 year milestone including (from left) Lois Smith, Integrated Stroke and Rehabilitation Inpatient unit; Barbara Leonard, Interprofessional Practice; Charlene Hendricks, Laboratory Services; Constance Wood, Clinical Informatics and Applications; and Janice Cimadamore, Clinical Informatics and Applications.

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RVH is a regional health centre in Barrie, Ontario, located 80 kilometres north of Toronto. As the largest hospital in the region of Simcoe Muskoka, RVH’s team of over 350 physicians, 2,500 employees and 850 volunteers provides exceptional care and specialty services to almost half a million residents, including cancer care, stroke services, orthopaedics, intensive care, mental health and interventional radiology. RVH is focused on delivering high-quality, safe care that puts patients and their families first. For more information visit www.rvh.on.ca