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Members of TEAM RVH honoured

Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) has recognized four inspiring members of its healthcare team, as well as one department, with a Board of Directors' Award of Excellence for their invaluable contributions to RVH and the region it serves in 2016. This is the highest honour bestowed on team members at the health centre and were awarded during TEAM RVH Appreciation Days.

This year's award recipients are:

- Janice Williams - RVH volunteer and RVH Auxiliary president
- Cheryl DesBarres – team lead, Surgery Treatment Clinic
- Linda Lepine - manager, Patient Food Services
- Dr. Renee Hanrahan - oncological and reconstructive breast surgeon
- Volunteer Resources team - Dodee Walsh, Helen Sarris and Tanya Laarakkers,

“These exceptional individuals and the Volunteer Resources team strongly exemplify the attributes this health centre holds in highest regard and demonstrates their excellence by consistently living, breathing and supporting our vision, mission and values,” says Janice Skot, RVH president and CEO.

All winners are selected by the RVH Board of Directors, led by chair Michael O’Keefe.

“Among the many tasks assigned to the members of the RVH Board of Directors this one is a favourite, but it’s also very difficult. There are so many outstanding members of TEAM RVH that we find it hard to choose. Every nomination we read reminds us – yet again – just how exceptional the people who work at RVH really are,” says O’Keefe. “These recipients were all nominated by their peers for going above and beyond the call of duty. There is no greater honour than to have the people you work beside every day stand up and applaud you.”

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Photo attached/cutline: The winners of Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre’s (RVH) Board of Directors’ Awards of Excellence were honoured in a ceremony on June 20. Attending the ceremony are Michael O’Keefe (left), chair, RVH Board of Directors and winners Janice Williams, volunteer and president, RVH Auxiliary; Cheryl DesBarres, team lead, Surgical Treatment Clinic; Dr. Renee Hanrahan, oncological and reconstructive breast surgeon; Linda Lepine, manager, Patient Food Services; and the Volunteer Resources team comprised of Dodee Walsh, Helen Sarris and Tanya Laarakkers, along with Janice Skot, RVH president and CEO.

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About RVH:

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