## KMHC makes major announcement on new X-Ray Services

## For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 22, Seskéha/August 2023) Tsi Tehsakotitsén:tha Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre (KMHC) is pleased to advise the community that the new Medical Imaging Department will begin operations on Thursday 31, Seskéha/August 2023.

The launch will highlight the beginning of X-Ray services within the KMHC, a concept that has been in development for several years. This will be considered a "soft" launch to assess the service's operations, with the grand opening set to occur in the fall.

"This is such an exciting time," said Executive Director Valerie Diabo. "We are so proud to make this important and historic announcement, which is a great reflection of our continued growth as a community-based hospital. There has long been a demand for this service right here at Kateri."

X-Ray services will be available on Tuesdays and Thursdays for community members only until further notice. <u>Users/patients will need an X-Ray requisition by their doctors in order to make an appointment</u>. Please note that emergency services will be available (on Tuesdays and Thursdays only, for the time being) should the need arise. KMHC's Medical Imaging Coordinator Jennifer Julien will be working collaboratively with Anna Laberge Hospital imaging technologists to ensure everything is working smoothly and efficiently.

Medical imaging is not limited to X-Rays. Additionally, a new ultrasound machine, which will also be used in the Medical Imaging Department, is expected to arrive in the near future. Recently, KMHC received a donation of \$139,000 from the Kateri Memorial Foundation for the purchase of this important piece of equipment.

"We'd like to thank all of those, past and present, who have made all of this this a reality," said Dr. Rachael Eniojukan, Director of Professional Services. "It is most certainly a proud day for Kahnawà:ke."

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