



PRESENTATIION TO CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL  
TUESASDAY, MAY 16, 2023

# WHERE DOES ONTARIO RANK ?

- Lowest per capita funding for healthcare compared to all other provinces
- Fewest RN's per capita
- Fewest Beds per capita



- Wage Supression Legislation (Bill 124)
- Underspent by \$900 million of budgeted health care funding
- The Ford Plan is to cut \$5 Billion from HCF by 2024
- Double funding for Independent Health Facilities (for profit)



# Our Public Hospitals

- Long history of serving their communities
- Overseen by a volunteer Board of skilled community citizens
- Skilled staff with solid credentials, reported statistics and compared to peer hospitals
- Quality assurance, accreditation, strong recruiting and reporting



## Our Hospitals already have:

- Capacity in operating rooms, diagnostic services, integrated programs – rehab, cancer services, specialty clinics
- Skilled medical, allied health and administrative staff



# Huge Crisis in Nursing

- Difficult to recruit new RN's- average LOE is just 24 months
- BURN OUT---- early retirement or simply quitting
- Hospitals are now utilizing Private Agencies
- A hospital without healthcare staff is just a building with furniture



# Move to Privatization Results in...

- Loss of skilled staff from hospitals
- Increased costs in the private sector - documented clearly
- Cataracts \$400 vs \$605
- Hip and knee surgery. \$10, 500 vs \$20,000- \$28,000
- if current numbers of 25000 hip and 32000 knee replacements currently done in public hospitals were done privately to difference would be \$600 million



# Bill 60 has already been passed

- Asking Cities and Municipalities to oppose this legislation
- Motion before Cambridge City Council
- WRHC part of province wide referendum May 26 & 27





# The Voting Ballot

- Do you want our public hospital services to be privatized to for-profit hospitals and clinics?
- Yes
- No