

# Building on Excellence

## THE CAMPAIGN FOR BRATTLEBORO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

**Brattleboro Memorial Hospital** has a great staff, excellent care, and up-to-date technology appropriate for a community hospital. So what is the primary focus for BMH in its second century of service to the community? How do we plan to build on this “excellence”?

Brattleboro Memorial Hospital has a number of space challenges. This month, we’ll focus on our **Ambulatory Care Unit (ACU)**. Read what people say about this very important procedure and same-day surgery unit at BMH...

*“Our newly renovated area will provide the patient with the privacy they deserve. It will also improve the patient flow in the operating room area by consolidating like services. And, by relocating our pre-operative assessment services to the new Outpatient Building, the patient will now have the convenience of conducting all pre-surgery requirements in the same geographical area.”*

—Deb Berdan, Director

*“Nobody could care more about BMH than I do. You see, a few years ago, BMH and Dr. Jeffrey Potash kept me alive until I could have a liver transplant. Since then, I’ve been volunteering at BMH once a week in the ACU. So I see first-hand how much the hospital needs more space for its same-day surgery and procedures.”*

—Paula Fielding, Marlboro, VT

*“We will now be able to better serve our patients and their families with a new waiting room providing a more welcoming environment: an individual will be available for answering questions and providing information to patients and their families.”*

—Annie Boemig, RN, ACU

We need to bring our facility up to the same level as our care, technology and staff. In addition to the renovation of the ACU, BMH is planning a new Outpatient Building, and our **“Building on Excellence”** capital campaign to fund this is underway. Here’s what one of our orthopedic surgeons says about our plans:

*“Ambulatory/same-day surgery volume at BMH has experienced a significant increase in the last ten years. This explosive growth has put a real strain on the limited space available in our ACU, and although our dedicated staff members work hard to keep everything organized and on schedule, we’re definitely feeling the pinch.”*

—Elizabeth McLarney, MD

**We need your help to raise a minimum of \$2.5 million to help us build!** If you are interested in learning more about the **“Building on Excellence” Campaign for Brattleboro Memorial Hospital**, or wish to take a tour of the facility to help understand our needs, please call Ellen Smith, Director of Development at (802) 257-8314.

