

**Are you willing to help?
Support CHIP today!**

Yes, I would like to cover the cost of a patient's communication services! I want a patient to stay connected with friends and family...

- For one month—\$225 or 12 x \$20 equal payments
- For 3 months—\$675 or 12 x \$60 equal payments


I would like to make a one-time donation:

- \$50
- \$100
- \$1000
- Other amount: _____

I would like to volunteer!

I can be reached at...

Please return this form to the following address:

	<p>Chip Charitable Services P.O. Box 26081 3163 Winston Churchill Blvd., Mississauga, Ontario L5L 5S0</p>
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Did you know?

- Most long-term patients experience a reduction in pay after just 3 months
- Many patients receive treatment far from their home community
- There is a daily charge for phone & TV while staying at most hospitals - roughly \$8/day
- At many hospitals, there is limited access to computers for patients
- DVDs aren't available for patient use in most hospitals
- Many visitors to hospitals are not familiar with the surrounding community

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**Even if your family can't
bring you homemade
soup...**



**they should always be able
to call and say "hello".**

Don't get disconnected...

No one plans for an extended hospital stay, but when it does happen, you want to know that your friends and family are there for you.

With busy work-life schedules and long travel distances, phone and email can sometimes become the only way for patients to stay connected.



At CHIP, we believe that maintaining communication with a patient's support network is an essential step on the road to wellness. We help patients stay connected with friends and family by providing the resources for them to access telephone, television and the Internet from their hospital room.

Don't let patients become isolated. Keep in touch with CHIP.

CHIP: Communities Helping Individual Patients



CHIP Charitable Services came as an inspiration to the father of the late James Dinneen (1971 –2003) who passed away from acute myeloid leukemia at the Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto.

At work, James was a Communication Specialist. But once admitted to hospital, he felt isolated from his wife and two young children who were not able to see their dad as often as they would have liked. So James connected his laptop computer to the Internet. In fact, he was one of the first patients at the Princess Margaret Hospital to have e-mail access in his room. This allowed James to stay in touch with his wife, kids, friends, and the rest of the outside world at a time and place that suited him, especially while coping with bouts of nausea.

During countless bedside conversations between James and his father, William J. Dinneen, the seeds for CHIP were planted. James would often tell his father how fortunate he felt to be able to stay in touch with family and friends. Unfortunately, some of the patients around him were not so lucky.

It was a combination of James' inspiration and a dedication by his father to enhance the lives of long-term hospital patients that became the catalyst for the CHIP project.

How can CHIP help?

- CHIP can pay for TV service in a patient's room (where available)
- CHIP can activate the phone in a patient's room and cover the charge for service

- CHIP can provide patients with a calling card to allow them to make long distance phone calls to friends and family, up to the value of the card



- CHIP can loan patients a laptop to watch DVDs in their room and access the Internet (where available)
- CHIP is also working with local service providers to offer discounts to visiting family and friends at hotels, restaurants, coffee shops and parking facilities.

Services are made available for up to 3 months at a time, but can be renewed.



Can CHIP help you? Sign up with CHIP today!

Date _____

Name _____

Hospital _____

Location in Hospital _____

I would like to see if CHIP can provide me with the following communication services:

- In-Room TV
- Calling Card
- In-Room Phone

Additional Comments _____

Signature _____

Once completed, please give this form to the social worker on your floor.

