



Virtual Dinner Auction

September 25th | 6:00 - 9:00pm

Join us from the comfort of your home, enjoy a glass of wine, maybe invite some friends to come together in support of Spirit of the North Healthcare Foundation.

To join in, visit:
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Funding Proposal

Working closely with Dr. Konkla and Dr. Lukaris, ophthalmology specialists and surgeons for the region, through generous donations from individuals and the community, we have been able to fund close to \$400,000 in retinal and eye care diagnostic, monitoring, and surgical equipment during the past several years. In order to train, attract, and retain specialists to the region a request has been made to purchase the following equipment.

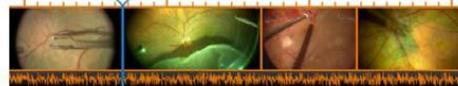
Optronics HD and UHD camera systems. \$35,574

It is a HD and UHD microscope specializing in surgical microscopy that is designed to provide an unsurpassed immersive imaging experience. This is needed so that medical students and nurses can view the surgery that is occurring in real time. This is huge for teaching purposes as they can actually visualize what the surgeon is seeing through the microscope. This system also has the capability to record surgery, as well as take still life photos. This can be used both for education of the medical students and nursing staff as well as for patient education on what procedure was done to their eye. As a teaching hospital, this equipment would allow physicians, students, and healthcare professionals the ability to view in intimate detail the eye mapping and functionality of the eye during surgical procedures.

A system with full 4K video with wide and realistic colour gamut offers better understanding of the surgical techniques used as a result. Nurses are also able to see what is going on in the eye and therefore could predict what stage of surgery was occurring with increased efficiency.



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Spirit of the North Healthcare Foundation appreciates the incredible support that we have received through the generosity of all of you, who have regularly attended our Wine Lovers event in partnership with Coast Hotels by APA each year. The combination of education, simulation, and leading edge technology has been appealing so much so that funding of close to \$200,000 to the Northern Clinical Simulation Lab, along with many essential pieces of equipment for the neonatal intensive care unit and other immediate needs throughout UHNBC has been addressed and we are extremely grateful.

This year is different -- that is evident, however we hope that you feel as we do that we want to move forward and continue to support state of the art equipment, the best possible educational support, and attract and retain the best healthcare professionals to the region. This means that although COVID is giving us challenges right now, the need for advancing other areas of care is equally as important.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, and me personally, thank you for your past support and we hope you will join us in supporting our Wine Lovers 2020 in a new and hopefully temporary way. Let's give it a try.

Judy Neiser, CEO
Spirit of the North Healthcare Foundation