

GRAND ROUNDS

The next generation of RVH supporters banding together

They're young, energetic and ready to give back to their local hospital.

A group of 20-somethings who are originally from Renfrew and area have formed the first-ever RVH Young Professionals Committee (YPC) with the mission of supporting RVH through community outreach initiatives and assisting with fundraising efforts.

Spearheading the YPC is Hannah MacMillan who, like many of the other members, moved away to attend college but has begun her career back in her hometown as the Development Coordinator for the RVH Foundation.

The goals of the committee fall in line with the Foundation's mandate over the next few years to cultivate the

next generation of RVH supporters, she explains.

The group is keen to educate and engage their families, peers and co-workers about the importance of RVH to our community.

"Since we are the next generation, we do feel it is our responsibility," states Landin Miller, an accountant with Welch LLP.

"People in our age group may not need any of this now, but we will need it in the future," says Hannah Holly, a teacher with the Renfrew County Catholic District School Board.

At their second meeting, they were given a sneak preview of the new Nephrology Centre and given a tour of the current hemodialysis and oncology units.

"We can really see how every aspect of the new space is catered to the patients," appreciates Kelley Lemenchick, the Community Development Officer for Community Futures Development Corporation of Renfrew County.

A behind-the-scenes glimpse into the future of RVH has the group motivated to spread awareness about the high-quality health care available in their own backyard.

"It feels really good to have the ability to give back to the community that helped raise us," concludes Dr. Lauren Scott, a chiropractor with the Renfrew County Rehabilitation Centre.

Interested in joining the YPC or learning more supporting RVH? Please contact Hannah at the Foundation office at macmillanh@renfrewhosp.com or call 613 432-4851 ext. 312.



Hannah MacMillan, Kelley Lemenchick, Dr. Lauren Scott, Landin Miller, Ashley Holmsma, Hannah Holly and Katie Donohue are members of the new RVH Young Professionals Committee.

Missing are: Shawn Walters, Eric Logan, Megan Prince and Dr. Lucas Regier