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# Halton Healthcare Hospitals Provide Patients with Online Access to their Medical Imaging

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Halton Healthcare hospitals in Georgetown, Milton and Oakville have partnered with PocketHealth, a Toronto-based digital health company, to provide patients with online access to their medical imaging records. The new system speeds up the process of gaining access to medical imaging records.

Prior to PocketHealth's recent launch, patients would pick up a CD from their hospital whenever their physician wanted a copy, a time consuming process. Now in only a few clicks with PocketHealth, the process is automated, giving patients the ability to securely view and share the same records online. To get started, patients can visit <a href="mailto:pocket.health/HALTON">pocket.health/HALTON</a>, enroll securely online and access their imaging records from all three Halton Healthcare hospitals.

There is a \$5.00 transfer fee at the time of enrolment, which includes permanent access to all previous imaging records at the hospital. Once patients receive access, they can share their imaging electronically with any physician or hospital, or burn their own CD or USB from home. Their physicians can then view the imaging on any device in a Health Canada-certified viewer in seconds, without any software or account set-up required.

"With our focus on continuous improvement, we are always keen to explore technologies and new collaborations that can help improve the patient experience," said Sylvia Rodgers, Senior Vice President, Clinical Programs and Chief Nursing Executive, Halton Healthcare.

"We know that when patients responsibly control their health data, everyone within their circle of care benefits," said Rishi Nayyar, CEO of PocketHealth. "For that reason, we're grateful to work with the Halton Healthcare team on making online imaging access a reality for their patients".

Halton Healthcare joins over 500 other hospitals, clinics and mobile imaging sites across North America that have deployed the PocketHealth platform for their patients.

### **Halton Healthcare:**

Halton Healthcare is a healthcare organization comprised of three community hospitals - Georgetown Hospital, Milton District Hospital and Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital. Together these hospitals, along with their community locations, provide healthcare services to nearly 400,000 residents in the communities of Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville. Halton Healthcare hospitals have been recognized for their best practices in a number of patient safety and patient care initiatives. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.haltonhealthcare.com">www.haltonhealthcare.com</a>. Follow us on Twitter @HaltonHlthcare and Facebook.

## PocketHealth:

PocketHealth is a patient-centric cloud platform that enables imaging providers across North America to share imaging records electronically with patients, instantly and securely. Since its launch in 2016, the platform has grown its functionality to enable direct sharing between hospitals and physicians, as well as instant DICOM retrieval and automated importing capability, creating a unified image management solution for their over 500 hospital and imaging clinic customers across North America. The company believes that by placing patients at the center of the record release process, data moves more ethically, easily and securely throughout the care journey. Learn more at <a href="https://www.pocket.health">www.pocket.health</a>.

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