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Four Counties Health Services Welcomes New Director

Middlesex Hospital Alliance's Four Counties Health Services (FCHS) site last month welcomed new Director of Patient Services, Lynda Robinson.

"She's a dynamic team member," Nancy Maltby-Webster, Middlesex Hospital Alliance (MHA) Chief Operating Officer, says, "Lynda has excellent experience and is passionate about patient care. We are thrilled to have her join us at the MHA."

Arriving in mid-December, Robinson took advantage of the traditionally social season to meet staff, board members and MHA external partners. But it was also a time of high patient activity at the FCHS. "I tried to hit the ground running in those first few weeks," Robinson says.

Robinson is accustomed to activity. "My passion has always been critical care, neuro and emergency," she says. She graduated with a BScN from University of Western Ontario in '82 and then relocated to Los Angeles, California during the mid 1980s to attain her Masters degree in Critical Care Clinical Nurse Specialist at a time when only a few schools in North America were offered this program. In addition to attending University, she worked in the ICU, CCU and Emergency Area at Kaiser Permanente (LA site).

Back in London, Ontario, Robinson worked in Critical Care, Transplant and trauma programs or teams for more than twenty years at Victoria Hospital, University Hospital and at St. Joseph's - from front line nurse through to the Director level. Immediately prior to arriving at FCHS, Robinson was a managing director for three years at Robarts

Research Institute with the Robarts Clinical Trials group, a Contract Research Organization.

Her new role as Director of Patient Services at FCHS calls upon both her clinical and administrative abilities. “My approach is to understand the needs of the community, and specifically our patients. What supports exist, and which are needed? My role is to ensure that our team has the tools – including the time and money and other resources – to look after our patients, and their families.”

And while Newbury is a long way from LA, Robinson is not a fish out of water. Since arriving at FCHS, she has been renewing old acquaintances and even bumping into old high school friends – she grew up on a farm just outside of Ailsa Craig, where her family still resides. Says Robinson, “People remember me, my father, my family. . . It’s been a very warm welcome home.”