

SAVE OUR HAMILTON HOSPITALS

Mon., Feb. 23 @ 7 PM

**Michelangelo's Banquet Centre
1555 Upper Ottawa Street**

**Community Town
Hall Meeting**

CHRONIC UNDERFUNDING OF HEALTH CARE

The McGuinty government is not giving hospitals the funding they need. In 2008, half of Ontario's hospitals faced deficits due to chronic underfunding by the McGuinty government. That figure is expected to grow to 74 per cent in 2009.

SERVICE CUTS IN HAMILTON SITUATION CRITICAL

Emergency room closing – McMaster • \$21 million cut from budget cut – Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS) • 400 jobs cut – HHS & St. Joseph's Healthcare • Funding for 70 transitional beds for patients waiting for long-term care runs out March 31 – St. Joe's • Speech & language services cut, Baby's Best Start programs cut – St. Joe's • Rehab beds cut – St. Joe's • Merger of St. Peter's with HHS • Housekeeping & food services threatened with contracting out – St. Joe's • Privatization of fertility clinic – HHS • Hospitals in Fort Erie and Port Colborne are also being closed. This will strain Hamilton health care even further.

LET'S COME TOGETHER TO STOP THE CUTS!

All are welcome. Please Attend.



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