



William Osler  
Health System

*Going Beyond*

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Osler Open golf tournament raises \$110,000 for Brampton Civic**

*June 18, 2013 BRAMPTON* – Golfers supporting William Osler Health System Foundation’s annual Osler Open golf tournament hit the green at The Brampton Golf Club last week in high spirits despite the soggy weather. Thanks to the participation of 152 business professionals, local dignitaries and supporters, the Osler Open raised \$110,000 for Brampton Civic Hospital.

The event, presented by CCV Insurance & Friends, sold out weeks in advance to people passionate about both golf and raising support and awareness for programs like the Early Detection of Lung Cancer at Brampton Civic Hospital.

According to William Osler Health System physician, Dr. Kashif Irshad, the gifts will be a great benefit to the 18 surgical suites at Brampton Civic where approximately 30,000 outpatient surgeries and 9,000 inpatient surgeries happen each year.

“Osler is a leader in minimally invasive thoracic surgery,” said Irshad when he spoke to the golfers. “With the use of advanced equipment, we are able to perform major lung cancer operations, through small keyhole incisions.”

Event Chair, Robert Lewis of CCV Insurance & Financial credited the generosity of sponsors and foursomes who annually support the event.

“Thank you to the Osler Open committee and volunteers who take time out of their busy lives to be part of this day, and to The Brampton Golf Club for ongoing support,” said Lewis. “Your collective efforts make this event possible. You help us to fundraise for our community, right here within our community.”

To learn more about William Osler Health System Foundation, visit [www.oslerfoundation.org](http://www.oslerfoundation.org).

To learn more about Brampton Civic Hospital, visit [www.williamoslerhs.ca](http://www.williamoslerhs.ca).

**ABOUT WILLIAM OSLER HEALTH SYSTEM:** William Osler Health System is a hospital system ‘Accredited with Exemplary Standing’ that serves 1.3 million residents of Brampton, Etobicoke, and surrounding communities within the Central West Local Health Integration Network. Osler’s emergency departments are among the busiest in Ontario and its labour and delivery program is one of the largest in Canada. William Osler Health System Foundation builds and fosters relationships in order to raise funds to support William Osler Health System’s capital, education and research priorities at Brampton Civic Hospital, Etobicoke General Hospital and Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health & Wellness (targeted for completion in 2015-16).

**ABOUT THE OSLER OPEN:** The Osler Open golf tournament has raised well over half a million dollars for improved health care at Brampton Civic Hospital since the event began in 2007. Sponsors continue to generously step forward to put William Osler Health System Foundation's annual tournament on the map as the community's not-to-be-missed golf event. The support of each participant makes an important difference in Osler's vision of patient-inspired care without boundaries.

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**Braving the rain at the Osler Open 2013: the dapper Prouse, Dash & Crouch, LLP foursome.**