

Museum of Health Care

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Funding Success for Museum of Health Care Collection

Ontario's Museums and Technology Fund has granted \$15,000 to the Museum of Health Care at Kingston for the development of a new feature on the Museum's website entitled *From the Collection*. To be developed over the next year, this page will include a series of short illustrated profiles for various objects, images, and documents drawn from the MHC collections. The subjects of these profiles will include artefacts, drawings, books, documents, works of art, and photographs representing various collections, themes, historical events, persons, medical disciplines, curiosities, and "treasures" currently held in MHC artefact and archival holdings.

A goal of *From the Collection* is an "added value" component for each object. For each artefact and image profiled, the Museum intends to provide a more complete interpretation of what those items are and how they fit into broader themes. The new artefact profiles will also provide links to other similar objects in the collection, thus making a search on a health care subject even easier than before.

"We want to involve the public more with our collection," says Paul Robertson, Curator of the Museum of Health Care, "*From the Collection* will include a link to a newly created online forum included with each profile. In this way we hope to provide an opportunity for user-generated content through community contribution, discussion, and interaction."

Further information will be posted on the Museum of Health Care's website at www.museumofhealthcare.ca as the project gets underway.

Iron lung, built at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, 1937,
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