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**Spooky Scavenger Hunts to Challenge Brave Museum Visitors**

(KINGSTON, ON) – On Friday October 27<sup>th</sup>, the Museum of Health Care at Kingston invites brave participants of all ages to explore the Museum like never before by taking part in Spooky Scavenger Hunts in the Museum galleries. Participants are invited to drop in any time during the Museum's regular opening hours, from 10 am to 4 pm, with admission by donation.

Darkened galleries, flashlights, and challenging, age-appropriate scavenger hunts will create an exciting atmosphere for visitors to learn strange and spectacular facts about the history of health care. The event will also feature several jaw-dropping Museum artefacts that are not normally on display, including a trephine set circa 1730, a skull saw from the early 1900s, and a 1920s crank-operated stomach pump.

"In the spirit of Halloween, we're excited to offer this fun, interactive program that will engage both adults and children alike in some hair-raising facts about our healthcare history," says Museum Manager and Program Director Jenny Stepa. "A bug hunt for ages 0 to 6 will also be set up in the Museum's children's gallery to ensure that even our youngest explorers can get in on the spooky fun."

No registration is required for the event, which takes place on a Professional Activity (PA) Day for the Limestone District School Board and Algonquin & Lakeshore Catholic District School Board. All participants who complete a scavenger hunt are eligible to enter a draw for prizes donated by event sponsors The Grand Theatre, The Haunted Walk of Kingston, and VIA Rail.

**Location:** Museum of Health Care, Ann Baillie Building National Historic Site, 32 George Street

**Date:** Friday, October 27, 2017

**Time:** Drop in any time 10 am to 4pm

**Cost:** Admission by donation

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**No registration required.**

**Event info link:** <http://www.museumofhealthcare.ca/visit/calendar-of-events.html#spooky>

