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Third Annual "Teddy Bear Hospital" Family Day Program at the Museum of Health Care



(KINGSTON, Ont.) --For the third year, the Museum of Health Care is holding a Family Day program focusing on staying healthy, dispelling fears about doctor visits, and learning about health care history.

According to Program Director Jenny Stepa, children aged three to eight are invited to bring their teddy bear or other stuffed toy to the Museum of Health Care where “teddy doctors and nurses” will examine and treat the toys’ ailments, real or imaginary.

“This has quickly become one of our favourite programs to run because we get to work with kids as young as three”, says Ms. Stepa. “It’s not always easy teaching young children about health care, but

we found a safe and fun way to get them to interact with medical professionals.”

“Our volunteers, some of whom are retired nurses, will write prescriptions, prepare bandages, and make minor repairs with a needle and thread.” “It’s a really fun program,” she adds. “Children also learn to make their own reflector headbands, listen to a story, and enjoy snacks generously donated by Card’s Bakery.”

The Teddy Bear Hospital will be held on Family Day, Monday, February 18 from 10:30 am-noon OR 1pm-2:30pm. The program is suitable for children aged three to eight, with adult accompaniment. Pre-registration is required. To register please call 613-548-2419, e-mail info@museumofhealthcare.ca, or complete an online registration form at www.museumofhealthcare.ca.

Location: 32 George Street, Ann Baillie Building National Historic Site

Date: Monday, February 18, 2013

Time: 10:30am to noon OR 1pm to 2:30pm

Cost: \$5/child (no charge for adults)

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