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## “Teddy Bear Hospital” Family Day Program at the Museum of Health Care

**February 21, 2011 at 10:30am-noon OR 1pm-2:30pm**



*Teddy bear drawing by Lisa Rae Swan*

The Museum of Health Care is holding a Family Day program that focuses on staying healthy, dispelling fears about doctor visits, and learning about health care history—all during a day of family fun!

Children aged 3 to 8 can bring their teddy bear or other special stuffed animal to the Museum of Health Care where trained teddy doctors and nurses will be on hand to examine and treat the toys’ bumps, lumps, and bruises (real or imaginary). Museum staff and volunteers, some of whom are real nurses, will also help children make their own reflector headbands, hold a special story time, and provide snacks, which have been generously donated by Card’s Bakery.

This Family Day program is part of a larger series of Heritage Week events that offer something for everyone.

*The Nostrums & Nibbles Gala* will be held Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup> and Dr. James Low will present his new lecture *Contagious Diseases During the 19th Century: Kingston, a Canadian Case Study* on Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Though the Museum of Health Care plans Heritage Week events every year, 2011 will have special emphasis because it coincides with the museum’s 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Heritage Week will act as a kick-off to a year full of celebratory, mission-serving events. Details can be found at [www.museumofhealthcare.ca](http://www.museumofhealthcare.ca).

The “Teddy Bear Hospital” will be held on Family Day, February 21<sup>st</sup> and is suitable for children ages 3 to 8, with adult accompaniment. Pre-registration is required. To register call 613-548-2419 or e-mail [museum@kgh.kari.net](mailto:museum@kgh.kari.net).

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

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

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

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