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## **MBTelehealth expands program in Parkland**

*Roblin becomes PRHA's fourth site*

**Roblin, MB.** - Responding to high utilization of Telehealth services in the Parkland Region, MBTelehealth and the Parkland Regional Health Authority (PRHA) have expanded the MBTelehealth Program to a fourth site. Roblin & District Health Centre joined the network in March 2007.

Director of MBTelehealth, Liz Loewen, welcomes Roblin to the MBTelehealth network.

"This new site will reduce travel to access health services for residents of the Roblin area. It will also expand access to continuing education and administrative meetings for physicians and staff across the Parkland," Loewen said.

Parkland Regional Health Authority interim CEO Mavis Wood says Telehealth allows the PRHA to further expand its ability to deliver quality health care services closer to home.

"With the addition of Roblin in the Parkland Health Region's *Western* District, we now have Telehealth sites in all of our four districts. They include Dauphin (*Central*), Ste. Rose (*Eastern*), and Swan River (*Northern*).

According to Cheryl Jerome, Chief Operating Officer of Roblin & District Health Centre, an extraordinary monetary contribution from a Roblin resident made expansion to the Western part of the Region possible.

"We sincerely appreciate the generosity of Mr. Jim Ritchie for recognizing the benefits of Telehealth and for the local contribution for the purchase of the necessary equipment," Jerome added.

Currently, the Roblin site is only set up for educational and administrative sessions. Residents will soon be advised when appointments for clinical sessions are possible.

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