

## **MEMBER STATEMENT—KEVIN O'REILLY MLA FRAME LAKE**

### **STANTON HOSPITAL TRANSITION**

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**MR. O'REILLY:** Merci, Monsieur le President. I have been asking for some time now about the transition plan for the opening of the new Stanton hospital, the old Stanton hospital renovations, and what happens with the services operating during those renovations. I checked the Stanton renewal website, and there is a lot of helpful information there, but no real timelines for the transition of services or renovations.

As I understand it, May 26<sup>th</sup> is the day when patients will be transferred from the old Stanton to the new Stanton hospital. I am sure that this must involve a monumental amount of planning and coordination. It is great that, according to the Stanton renewal website, the old Stanton is going to be renovated to allow extended care; transcription services; primary clinics; food and laundry service for extended care and long-term care; outpatient rehab programs, which includes occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech-language pathology, and audiology; and long-term care; but where is the schedule?

All I am asking for is clear communications showing when and where services will be located during that transition. It could easily be done by a dated Gantt chart, of course, subject to change. I haven't seen anything like that, even though Stanton is in my riding. I think that's the least we should be doing for our residents, who rely on Stanton, and even for the staff who work there. As we move closer to transition day, we need to ramp up our public information efforts, so answers are there for people and they will know where the services are available, and when.

I will have questions for the Minister of Health and Social Services later today. Mahsi, Mr. Speaker.