



November 5th, 2015

Michelangelo's Banquet and Convention Centre
1555 Upper Ottawa Street
Hamilton, ON L8W 3E2
During National Pain Awareness Week
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BENEFITING



We invite you to Party for Pain. Last year's event was successful in raising over \$90,000 to support the enhancement of pain services provided at the Michael G. DeGroot Pain Clinic at Hamilton Health Sciences. Since that time the integration of the programs has progressed, members have engaged in local and national leadership of clinical and academic activities, health professionals have been educated and thousands of patients continue to be treated.

Chronic pain represents one of the major sources of disability and lost productivity in Canada. On November 5, 2015, Hamilton Health Sciences Michael G. DeGroot Pain Clinic is hosting the third annual PARTY FOR PAIN fundraising dinner and silent auction. We are seeking your support so that pain services in Hamilton can offer improved and enhanced care for our patients. Hamilton has a longstanding legacy of providing service to people with chronic pain and the need for such services continues to grow.

The DeGroot Clinic is one of the largest university-affiliated pain programs in the country. We currently train medical, nursing, and allied health care students, our own specialist physicians and pain specialists from around the world. The Michael G. DeGroot Pain Clinic plays a vital role in the delivery of specialized care for more than 2.3 million residents of south-central Ontario.

Providing leading edge care requires investment in the most current equipment, which, like many of the services at the core of pain treatment, are not presently covered under government health care funding.

Sponsorship plays an integral role in the success of events like [Party for Pain](#). We respectfully request your consideration for support as a sponsor. Thanks to partnerships with several local media outlets, we are offering sponsors a robust promotional/recognition program. Sponsorship options and all associated benefits are outlined in the attached document. If you are unable to commit as a sponsor, please consider extending support by making a donation to our silent auction or by purchasing tickets for the event.

I will follow-up with you shortly to confirm your involvement. However, should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly. Thank you for your consideration.

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PAIN SERVICES AT HAMILTON HEALTH SCIENCES