

# PORTFOLIO REPORT 2019-20 Neurosciences & Rehabilitation

## Transforming Healthcare Together

As your Foundation, we partner with Island Health to raise funds for the priority equipment needs in our hospitals.

Each year, Island Health Capital Finance receives equipment requests from the departments in our hospitals and releases a list of approved equipment purchases. From that list, we develop our fundraising campaigns and initiatives in support of the identified needs. We work with donors who wish to support specific areas of care or particular needs of the department.

In fiscal 2019–20, we committed **\$5,823,822 to equipment, special projects, education, and research,** supporting Royal Jubilee and Victoria General hospitals and Island Health as a whole.

### Campaigns Supporting Your Work



#### Bringing The Big Picture Into Focus

Since launching in November 2019, 3,500+ donors have contributed over **\$3.3 million** to our *Big Picture* campaign. We aim to raise \$4 million to fund 42 pieces of **leading-edge imaging equipment** at RJH and VGH. Tools like

the Rehabilitation Ultrasound System will help improve diagnosis and treatment for for Neurosciences & Rehabilitation patients.

"In the Rehabilitation Clinic, ultrasounds are essential in almost all cases. They're our modern stethoscopes. They have become instrumental in making strides in areas like spasticity. A new ultrasound machine in our department means we can give our patients their lives back. It's highly rewarding to know our community supports this work." —Dr. Paul Winston



## Donor-Funded Equipment in Neurosciences & Rehabilitation (#)

VHF dispersed over \$240,000 to fund equipment for Neurosciences & Rehabilitation in 2019–20.

Capital #	Equipment/Project	Department
18PC177	Treadmill	Patient Care Centre
18RJ110	Upright Exercise Bike	RJH Cardiac Rehab

#### Patient Story: After he was paralyzed, imaging offers injection of hope



In 2017, Peter was an active 32-year-old with a heart full of dreams and a world of plans ahead of him. A fluke accident that summer paralyzed him from the neck down.

At the VGH Rehabilitation Clinic, Daniel Drs. Paul Winston, Vincent, and Emily Krauss performed nerve-transfer and freezing procedures. They have brought movement and strength

back to Peter's arms and chest. These treatments were among the first of their kind being done across the globe.

"My treatment journey has been long, but I am forever grateful. It began with intervention at VGH and continues here with focused rehabilitation and the unparalleled expertise of Dr. Winston and his team. Thanks to ultrasound images, I've started to get my life back. I've made great progress."

Dr. Winston attests that ultrasounds are essential to his team's work. New equipment gives caregivers like him clear, high-resolution images to guide needles, improve results, and lessen pain for patients.

Beyond the physical, Peter's care team has given him personal strength. "Dr. Winston sees potential in his patients. When we first met in rehab, he knew he could make **small** changes in my body that would result in exponential changes in my life. At the time, he was more excited about my recovery than I was. Not only is he a great physician, he's one of my biggest motivators," says Peter. He's now able to get back into his community at work and at the gym.

wasn't for ultrasound lf it technology, our talented caregivers, and our generous family of donors, Peter's life would be much greyer.

head more inspiring stories from our patient champions on our website at victoriahf.ca/your-stories.

#### **NEW!** Peer-to-Peer Fundraising

The Victoria Hospitals Foundation has just launched our new online peer-to-peer fundraising platform.

With just a few clicks, fundraisers can set up a personalized page on JustGiving and raise money specifically for Neurosciences &

Rehabilitation. This is a great way to engage new supporters and have our fundraisers use their network and recognize your colleagues for their dedicated work.

More information can be found on our website at victoriahf.ca/peer-to-peer or start your own page at justgiving.com/campaign/neurorehab.



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