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**La Maison des Collines, palliative care provider in the Outaouais, to begin re-opening**

**La Pêche, September 27, 2021** – La Maison des Collines has begun its re-opening, following the undertaking of a recruitment drive in its bid to find nurses to provide the critical end-of-life palliative care families in the Outaouais rely on.

The recruitment drive was put into full swing as La Maison des Collines was forced to temporarily suspend admissions as of June 20, 2021 while it continued to search to fill the positions that are essential to the quality care it offers.

“There continues to be an extreme shortage of nurses across the province,” says Executive Director Julie Filion, “but we believe that La Maison des Collines’ approach to care, one that values the input of each member of the care team, the opportunity for nurses to provide the global kind of care they aspire to, and the warm, welcoming, calm and peaceful work environment is what has enabled us to recruit and made our palliative care home an employer of choice.”

The re-opening and service providing of care will begin progressively this week, with the welcoming of patients and families beginning today.

The recruitment campaign will now shift its focus to volunteers. “Volunteers are important members of our healthcare team and are at the heart of what we do,” explains Nancy Malette, Volunteer Coordinator of La Maison des Collines. “They allow us to carry out our mission by contributing their skills and expertise to the well-being of those in the final stage of life and thus work closely with our medical and nursing professionals to ease the suffering and improve the quality of living and dying.”

A note of thanks to the team, volunteers and board directors of La Maison des Collines for sharing their stories of the palliative care home’s impact and special thanks to the media for informing the public about our recruitment campaign, highlighting the need for front line health professionals and raising awareness about La Maison des Collines. Last, but not least, thanks to the communities served by La Maison des Collines for continuing to support their palliative care home.

**About La Maison des Collines**

La Maison des Collines (MDC) is a centre of excellence in palliative care, with a team of professionals offering support to patients and their families at every stage of the end-of-life process. Learn more at [lamaisondescollines.org](http://lamaisondescollines.org).

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