St. Paul's Hospital Redevelopment Wednesday, June 13, 2012 Speech length: 3-5 minutes

Event: what is it?

- Announcement of the start of planning for redevelopment of St. Paul's Hospital, as a part of Budget 2012.
- The event comes a day after government announced a commitment to redevelop Royal Columbian Hospital.

Audience: who are they?

- Minister de Jong
- Dianne Doyle, Providence Health Care President and CEO
- Dr. Eric Grafstein, head of emergency procedure, St. Paul's Hospital
- Health care professionals
- Honourable Mary McNeil, Minister of Children and Family Development and MLA for Vancouver-False Creek
- Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid, Minister of Labour, Citizens' Services and Open Government and MLA for Vancouver-Fairview

Key Messages

- Redevelopment of St. Paul's Hospital is a priority for our government and we are committed to redevelop the facility to ensure that patients and their families continue to receive the world-class health care the St. Paul's is renowned for.
- It's of great importance that we take the next steps in the redevelopment of St. Paul's Hospital. That's why my government is announcing the concept plan is currently being finalized for the project.
- Patients and health care professionals can have confidence that my government is placing great priority on addressing redevelopment and modernization of St. Paul's Hospital.

ACKNOWLDGE:

- Minister de Jong
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- Health care professionals

- Very happy to be here today a turning point in the history of St. Paul's hospital – just one day after my government announced our commitment to redevelop Royal Columbian Hospital.
- St. Paul's delivers world-class care to families in Vancouver and from across B.C., but we all know it's facing significant aging infrastructure challenges, and the facilities weren't built to meet today's acute care standards.
- So it's critically important that we take the next steps in the redevelopment of St. Paul's Hospital.
- I want both patients and health care professionals to know they can have confidence that my government is placing great priority on addressing the redevelopment and modernization of St. Paul's Hospital.
- That's why I'm excited to announce that we are moving ahead on developing a concept plan for redevelopment of St. Paul's Hospital as part of Budget 2012.
- Finalizing the concept plan is a critical milestone that will lay a strong foundation for a redeveloped hospital that will ensure that in the years to come, patients and their families will continue to receive the world-class health care the St. Paul's is renowned for.