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**BROCKVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL AND SDI CANADA UNVEIL NEW  
MODULAR MRI DEPARTMENT AT RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY**

**Brockville, September 27, 2024** – Brockville General Hospital and SDI Canada are pleased to unveil Ontario's first Prefabricated Modular MRI Cassette® at a joint ribbon cutting ceremony on hospital grounds.

This prefabricated modular building houses the hospital's new Siemens Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Scanner and supporting spaces, as part of the hospital's ever growing diagnostic imaging department.

"Brockville General is dedicated to expanding and growing our services to meet the needs of our community," said Nick Vlacholias, Brockville General Hospital President and CEO. "With our new MRI service, we already have experienced a positive impact on the local and regional health system. In just the first three months of operation, over 400 patients from MRI waitlists have received a scan. We also would like to thank our community and the Brockville and District Hospital Foundation for their generous contributions to make this happen."

"Today, we celebrate the opening of the new MRI Suite at Brockville General Hospital, made possible by the generous support of our community and donors," said Trish Buote, Brockville and District Hospital Foundation Executive Director. "Your contributions have significantly advanced our healthcare capabilities and enhanced the quality of care our hospital provides. We are deeply grateful for your commitment, which enables us to deliver cutting-edge medical technology to Brockville and area. Thank you for making this pivotal moment a reality."

This marks SDI's third installation in Canada using this groundbreaking solution that enables hospitals to expand their treatment capacity while minimizing disruption to existing operations. This advanced technology allows hospitals to create the secure environment necessary for operating medical equipment, like an MRI, without affecting other hospital activities. It is particularly beneficial during periods of reorganization, renovation, or expansion.

Additionally, the prefabricated modular design accelerates the installation process compared to traditional construction methods. Built in a controlled environment, the modular building ensures superior quality control, resulting in a faster, more reliable implementation.

"The Cassette buildings provide flexible infrastructure solutions, capable of serving as independent facilities or supporting expansion. They are relocatable, post-disaster prefabricated structures that comply with local healthcare building codes," explained Toufic Abiad, Founder and CEO of SDI Canada. "Manufactured in both the USA and Canada, these buildings offer significant advantages in quality, faster project timelines, and cost management. Our solution allows hospitals to complete projects in one year that would usually take two."

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Representatives from Brockville General Hospital, SDI Canada, the City of Brockville, and MPP Steve Clark cut the ribbon on the innovative MRI suite.

**About Brockville General Hospital**

Brockville General Hospital has a long history of rising to the challenge when the community is in need. Whether we're pioneering local access to care, building modern diagnostic, surgical, and healing spaces, or tackling the pressures facing our healthcare system, we're here to serve you. Through teamwork, partnership, and the support of our community, we proudly offer a range of services and quality, compassionate care right here in Leeds and Grenville.

**About SDI Canada**

SDI Canada is a key ally in the deployment of MRI's and biomedical equipment. The company serves Canadian healthcare providers as an expert in construction, infrastructure maintenance and the distribution of specialized accessories, such as chiller systems.

As such, SDI and its innovative technology behind the prefabricated installations effectively meets some of the most pressing needs of today's hospitals by satisfying hospitals' clinical and technological obligations, and creating a strategic, cutting-edge reserve of medical infrastructure in order to support and optimize the deployment of technology throughout the building's lifespan.

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