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Tea & Treats event to celebrate Nursing Excellence and donor support at RCH today

New Westminster, B.C., May 10, 2007 — In honour of Nursing Week, a special Tea & Treats event is being held today to celebrate nursing excellence and the generosity of individual and community donors, including Saint Mary's Health Foundation, who support nursing education at Royal Columbian Hospital (RCH).

Throughout the year, donor support provides eligible nurses at RCH with opportunities to participate in nursing education close to home and throughout North America and Europe. From conferences to courses and workshops, nurses learn the latest techniques, network with others in their fields and make connections to last throughout their careers. The nurses return to RCH with new knowledge and confidence they bring to their patient care everyday.

Many generous donors dedicate their gifts to support nursing education at RCH. Adrienne Bakker, President and CEO of the RCH Foundation and Brenda Poulton, Chair Nursing Fund Committee will be on hand to officially thank the nurses and these donors. This fun Tea & Treats event gives nurses an opportunity to celebrate their profession, meet the donors in person, and share their experiences and mutual appreciation.

RCH Nurses Tea & Treats

When: Thursday, May 10, 2007

Time: 12:30-1:30 pm

Where: Neil Russell Room at RCH

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About Royal Columbian Hospital (RCH) Foundation

RCH Foundation is an independent charitable organization that raises millions of dollars every year to fund priority equipment needs and enhancements to patient care at Royal Columbian Hospital. Approximately 1.5 million people from Burnaby to Boston Bar depend on Royal Columbian to provide highly specialized care for major trauma emergencies, cardiac and neurosurgery, renal treatment, high risk maternity and newborn intensive care. For more information about the RCH Foundation or to make a donation, please call 604-520-4438 or visit www.rchfoundation.com

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