



Press Release

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Lions Club gives generously to audiology department

Thompson, Manitoba - Thompson Lions Club President, Gordon Olafson and Secretary Nick DiVirgilio presented the BRHA audiology department with a cheque in the amount of \$18,000. This is the second donation, which amounts to a total of \$36,000, which went to the purchase of diagnostic hearing screening equipment.

All babies born at the Thompson General Hospital have the opportunity for hearing assessment, through the Provincial I-Hear screening program, before they are discharged from hospital. The purchase of this ABR diagnostic equipment allows further testing for newborns who require additional follow-up after the initial screen.

This donation was a joint effort between the Thompson Lions Club and the Lions Club of Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario with each contributing \$18,000.



Representatives from the Thompson Lions Club gave a donation of \$18,000 for screening and diagnostic hearing equipment for the BRHA. Pictured above are (left to right) Thompson Lions Club President Gordon Olafson; Colita MacTavish, audiologist; Dr. Hussam Assam, Vice President of Medical Services; Nancy Almeida, audiometrist; Dr. Sharen Ritterman, Provincial Audiology Program Manager, Bernett Alexander, Program Manager, Speech & Audiology; and Nick DiVirgilio, Thompson Lions Club Secretary.