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Changing the outcome for our patients. That is what we hope to accomplish.

Dr. David Kennedy is an internist at Norfolk General Hospital. He sees many patients with heart disease. Norfolk is actually a hotspot for circulatory disease. To provide the best care to our patients, NGH is in need of two important diagnostic tools.

We need to purchase new Exercise Stress Testing equipment. With this test, you walk on a treadmill while being monitored to see how far you walk and if you develop chest pain or changes in your electrocardiogram.

A stress test is the best way to expose hidden heart disease or help rule it out.

We also need an Echocardiography machine. This is a type of ultrasound which creates an image of the motion of the heart's walls and pumping action while the patient is at rest. One of the benefits is that the test can be done at the bedside so that a very sick patient does not have to be moved to a different area in the hospital or elsewhere for testing.

"I see patients with heart disease every day and I know what can be done to improve your health and the health of your family. I truly believe in the work we do at NGH" said Dr. Kennedy.

Demand for Stress Testing is growing.

Our current testing equipment is so old that parts are no longer available! In order to continue to impact lives, the NGH Foundation is asking you to give *from the heart* as generously as you can during the 2015 Radiothon October 21 live 7a-5p on Norfolk's 98.9 myFM. This funding will help purchase new life changing cardiac testing equipment for NGH. As we do not receive any funding from the province for this type of project, your support is crucial to assisting us in diagnosing heart disease right here in our community.



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