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New Taloyoak Health Centre officially opened

TALOYOAK, Nunavut (September 3, 2015) – A special ceremony marked the official opening today of the new Taloyoak Health Centre with a sealskin ribbon cutting officiated by Health Minister Paul Okalik, assisted by Deputy Premier Monica Ell, Nattilik MLA Jeanne Ugyuk and Mayor Joe Ashevak.

"The new health centre is a much needed facility for the people of Taloyoak, as we can now better support our health care team in the delivery of high quality health services," said Minister Paul Okalik. "This facility allows our clients to access full services and programs in a space that meets current building codes for a health care facility."

The new facility replaces the aging health centre constructed in 1987. It features modern digital X-ray equipment, patient examining rooms, a spacious waiting room, emergency treatment facilities, and apartments for health care staff and nurses on the second floor.

The construction review process ensured that evolving health needs were addressed and that compliance with codes and standards were met. The Government of Nunavut worked closely with the Hamlet of Taloyoak to construct a new health care centre for the community.

Construction cost of the new facility is estimated at \$29.6 million.

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