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Dear municipal units,

On behalf of the Town of Shelburne, I am requesting your support in calling on the provincial government for the addition of a Dialysis Unit at the Roseway Hospital order to provide convenient treatment for area residents. Kidney disease is currently the 10th leading cause of death in Canada and 1 in 10 Canadians has kidney disease. People living with kidney failure frequently face significant financial challenges related to loss of income, transportation and medication costs. Each hemodialysis treatment normally takes four to five hours, 3 times a week, so transportation to and from dialysis can be a significant, and costly, challenge. By having a Dialysis Unit in closer proximity, it would reduce the stress on those area residents undergoing treatments and their families.

We have sent a letter to Health Minister Randy Delorey, the NS Health Authority, and the Shelburne County Community Health Board requesting the placement of a Dialysis Unit at Roseway Hospital. We are requesting your support in this initiative and would encourage surrounding units to send a letter to the NS Health Authority to support our request.

Sincerely,

Karen Mattatall
Mayor
Town of Shelburne

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