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## Making Canada Healthier, Wealthier, Smarter



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ongratulations to all the research hospitals named in the 2015 Top 40 list.

The Council of Academic Hospitals of Ontario (CAHO) represents Ontario's 24 research hospitals. We see every day how our members make important contributions to our health care system, making Ontario – and Canada – healthier, wealthier and smarter. Core to their mission, research hospitals across the country strive for bolder ideas, bigger discoveries, better treatment and

faster cures, all while stimulating our country's economy and attracting and retaining the brightest and best minds from around the world.

In the past year alone, CAHO members have brought 77 health technology commercializations from the lab bench to the patient bedside. By translating research into marketable health products, CAHO member hospitals are not only generating revenue and investment, they are expediting new treatments and delivering better quality care to patients who need it today.

From stem cell basic science that is on the cusp of discoveries related to diabetes, heart disease and certain types of blindness, to clinical trials that has put a patient with Mantle Cell Lymphoma into remission after being told she had 2-5 years to live, to patient-informed research that has led to technological developments

for children with disabilities, health research is having a direct and real impact everyday.

As Ontario and Canada strengthens our respective role as a global health leader, through the imperative work being done in Canada led by the research hospitals on the Top 40 list, we need a shared vision for health research. This requires a collaborative approach that brings together government, health care organizations, academic facilities and industry. We need to build partnerships that sustain Canada's health research enterprise. A healthy research ecosystem can only be sustained by a strong vision, investment, support and collaboration.

When bright minds collaborate, even the unimaginable becomes deliverable. Learn more at www.healthierwealthiersmarter.com and join the #onHWS dialogue on Twitter.