

Thanks to you, Dr. Ramez Malak and his neurosurgeon colleagues realized their dream of offering more innovative therapeutic options to patients with brain tumours!

Newsletter to thank our donors

YOUR HOSPITAL. YOUR IMPACT.

YOU GAVE VINCENT TIME

By helping to finance the neurosurgical laser, you reduced the risks and discomfort of Vincent's brain surgery. Above all, you delayed the progress of his tumour.

"I can't say that I'll die of old age in 50 years, but for now I'm able to enjoy the beautiful moments I have. And I plan to take full advantage. Sincerely, thank you so much."

— Vincent Lessard, patient

"Vincent Lessard can drive!" exclaimed neurosurgeon Dr. Ramez Malak, twice. It may seem trivial, but it's a sign that Vincent is in good health. That he's able to function 18 months after he was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

DID YOU KNOW?

- With this laser, you're offering patients a much less invasive procedure, a faster recovery, and fewer side effects. It has made things a lot easier for them! And guess what? All this frees up beds and physicians to treat more patients—thanks to you!



With the new laser, the procedure only required a 1-cm incision and Vincent Lessard was able to return home the very next day.

It all happened so quickly... The first symptoms in October 2021. The cancer diagnosis. In December, Vincent had a craniotomy. Then radiation therapy and chemotherapy. The tumour returned. In July, Vincent had surgery again—this time with the new neurosurgical laser financed entirely by your donations.

Since then, Vincent has continued his chemotherapy. His condition is stable. His last MRI showed that his tumour has even shrunk!

**A big thank you on behalf of all the patients!
You're offering them another therapeutic choice.
Before, when a patient had a recurrence, nothing could be done. Now, thanks to you, we have the laser!
And as long as there are possibilities, there's hope.**

YOU'RE AN AGENT OF CHANGE!

By funding the EZDrips application, which makes resuscitation easier, you've helped Emergency care staff in so many ways! Knowing what to do, step by step, in unusual situations and in moments of extreme tension.

The first hour of resuscitation is often very chaotic. So many questions and complicated calculations. There's a huge risk of making a dosing error. And so little time to react!

There are lots of print and online resources available. But, until recently, there was nothing that was easily accessible in the heat of the moment. That's where you came in.

So many of you responded to the call last fall from Dr. Lemaire, Emergency physician at l'Hôpital Charles-Le Moyne! It's because of you that he's able to continue developing EZDrips to save even + lives in Emergency.

Every time a patient is resuscitated at Charles-Le Moyne or elsewhere, there's a little bit of you in that saved life. There's no greater recognition than that.

Dr. Frédéric Lemaire and a few members of the team of physicians and volunteer experts who have joined forces to pursue the same mission. (Photo: Le Courrier du Sud – Denis Germain)



EZDRIPS FINANCED THROUGH YOUR DONATIONS COULD BE HEADED FOR THE FINAL FRONTIER!

EZResus, the new version of EZDrips, is a finalist in the Canadian Space Agency's Deep Space Healthcare Challenge.

“My team and I are so grateful to you!”

— Dr. Frédéric Lemaire

When you think about it, it's pretty amazing to be able to say your donations are literally out of this world!!! From the South Shore to outer space!!!

Bravo and thank you for having supported this innovation that has been benefitting patients and Emergency room workers at Hôpital Charles-Le Moyne since day 1. And that now has some 3600 users in 29 countries around the world! Outer space could very well be next. We'll know in 2024!

This recognition shows that your generosity plays a crucial role when it's time to invest in innovative projects. Indeed, you're a very precious ally in improving the population's access to health care. You're at the heart of the transformation of health care!



Dr. Frédéric Lemaire never imagined that one day the impact of EZDrips would extend well beyond the walls of Hôpital Charles-Le Moyne!

WHAT IS THE DEEP SPACE HEALTHCARE CHALLENGE?

It's a competition that seeks to reward Canadian innovators who develop new detection and diagnostic technologies that could be used in Canada's remote communities and for astronauts on deep-space missions.

Without you, many young people in difficulty, like Aimy, here with her dad Jean-Bruno, would still be in the grips of their problems.



+ SUPPORT FOR YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH THANKS TO YOU

This incredible program was made possible thanks to you. Without your donations, it would never have seen the day.

Aimy was a girl with no history of problems. No apparent signs of psychological distress. No visible difficulties integrating. Life had been a long tranquil river until the morning of September 2021...

Jean-Bruno, her dad, received a call from the school. His daughter was having dark thoughts. She needed to go to Emergency. Jean-Bruno was in shock. How had he not detected the suffering in a child he saw every day?

After nine obstacle-filled months, Aimy was finally able to join the Horizon 4 Saisons program.

In just a few months, the transformation was incredible.

Her anxiety attacks disappeared. Aimy returned to her old school, her friends, her family. She's happy. All in so little time. She's light years away from September 2021.

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"Horizon came into our lives at a time of deep discouragement. It was an incredible gift. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

— Jean-Bruno, father of Aimy,
a Horizon 4 Saisons program participant
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And with these stories of success, your support has even led to the deployment of the Horizon 4 Saisons program across the entire Montérégie region! Such fantastic news for our young people! THANK YOU!

WHAT IS HORIZON 4 SAISONS?

An innovative therapeutic intervention program:

- for adolescents who do not respond well to traditional therapies.
- that takes them out of a one-on-one therapy model, and away from the four walls of a hospital or CLSC.
- that has them experience adventure in nature.
- that puts them in contact with other young people their age experiencing similar problems, while being supported by care staff.



Nathalie Boudreau, President and Executive Director, Fondation Hôpital Charles-LeMoyne, flanked by Richard Deschamps, President and CEO, CISSS de la Montérégie-Centre, and Benoit Lemieux, Chair of the Board of Directors, Fondation Hôpital Charles-LeMoyne.

+ EXCELLENT CARE!

Innovation in care, that's your impact! Through your vision, your audacity and your generosity, you're increasing access to care for patients and families in your community.

How? By funding innovative programs like the Horizon 4 Saisons program, revolutionary technologies like EZDrips, and cutting-edge equipment like the neurosurgical laser. Programs, technologies and equipment adapted to our community, to our physicians, to our patients. In short, to your Hospital's most pressing needs.

This innovation in care enables your Hospital to remain at the forefront of health challenges and to stand out for its excellence. Thanks to your support, Hôpital Charles-Le Moyne now ranks among the major university hospitals.

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