

Donor Funded Deep Brain Stimulation Equipment



“ This is life changing. ”

Sean Ward—First Patient to Undergo Deep Brain Stimulation at The Moncton Hospital.

Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) is a surgical treatment that involves implanting a device, sometimes referred to as a pacemaker for the brain. The device sends electrical impulses to specific areas of the brain that can alleviate symptoms of various neurological disorders and bring significant relief to patients.

Thanks to our donors, we were able to purchase \$250,000 DBS technology for Parkinson's disease and other movement disorders. The provincial government provided \$394,000 in annual operational funding.

This innovative procedure, led by Dr. Antonios El Helou, significantly improves patients' quality of life.



54-year-old Sean Ward of Sackville had trouble with simple tasks like getting dressed in the morning, cutting up his food, and tying his shoes. Ward had been living with the effects of Parkinson's disease and became the first to undergo a DPS procedure at The Moncton Hospital. Sean and his wife Lori are beyond grateful for our donors.



Sean says since having the surgery he has seen significant improvements in his muscle movements and his everyday tasks.

“I can do things I couldn't before—the result is life changing! We are deeply grateful to donors to the Friends Foundation that made this possible.”

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