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Province reaches deal with gynecologic oncologists

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Premier Danny Williams (left) and Health Minister Ross Wiseman announce a deal today with gynecologic oncologists. — Photo by Gary Hebbard/The Telegram

The provincial government has reached a deal with gynecologic oncologists that will keep the specialists from leaving the province.

The deal has been rolled in an earlier package announced for pathologists and other oncologists in the province. The three gynecologic oncologists had pointed out they were the lowest paid in the country in their specialty, had heavy workloads and had put in their notices to resign.

Premier Danny Williams and Health Minister Ross Wiseman made the announcement of the deal today. The agreement also includes hematologists and pediatric oncologists.

Williams also announced that because of widespread concerns regarding the health-care system, negotiations with all doctors in the province will open on Jan. 1 instead of the April 1 date in the current agreements.

Further updates to come.

Full coverage in Tuesday's Telegram.

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