## Dr. John (Jack) Luce



For more than 45 years **Dr. John (Jack) Luce** has dedicated himself to helping those who can't help themselves. After serving his country in the Canadian forces, Dr. Luce turned his attention the practice of medicine and found himself in St. Catharines where he became a member of the medical staff in 1972. Trained in family and emergency medicine, Dr. Luce has always had a passion for caring for seniors. He became Chief of Staff at Hotel Dieu Hospital helping lead the one time acute care facility through numerous medical changes that included program expansions, a clinical teaching program and the establishment of both a dialysis centre and oncology program.

During those busy times Dr. Luce continued to care for nursing home patients often making rounds before and/or after his "nine to five" job at the hospital. While maintaining a strong interest and advocacy role while in acute care it wasn't until Dr. Luce, as a result of local hospital restructuring, became Chief of Staff at a complex care and rehabilitation facility that he was able to fully immerse himself in his passion for geriatric care.

Dr. Luce quickly formed a strong medical team and insured that there was a true interdisciplinary approach to patient care that included nurses, physicians and therapists. In addition to his Chief of Staff duties he is personally responsible for the care of patients at Hotel Dieu Shaver.

Dr. Luce is also Chair of several important committees including; Pharmacy and Therapeutic, Health Records and Quality Assurance as well as Infection Prevention and Control. He is also Chair of the Medical Advisory committee. Since arriving at Hotel Dieu Shaver Dr. Luce has worked hard at implementing patient safety policies and procedures that not only keep patients safe but do so while respecting their dignity and independence. Outside of Hotel Dieu Shaver Dr. Luce continues to care for seniors in other environments. He is currently the Medical Director at Versa Care in St. Catharines and has held that position for two years. He was also recently appointed to the same position at Tufford Manor Retirement Home.