

Kitchener-Waterloo & Area Family Medicine Residency Program



Wellesley

Community Information

- Wellesley is a small, rural township approximately 35 minutes from downtown Kitchener
- Benefits of a small-town feel, while still having access to larger urban conveniences near Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge and Stratford
- Strong focus on community involvement, which is reflected through the amount of community groups and outdoor facilities. Enjoy the annual Apple Butter and Cheese Festival each Fall



The Centre for Family Medicine – Wellesley

- The Wellesley office is northwest of Kitchener-Waterloo in the small community of Wellesley. Two physicians work at this location, and it is a thirty minute drive from the main Victoria St. office and academic hub. Being part of the FHT, patients at this office have access to all the speciality clinics and IHPs.
- One resident may be placed at this location.

Preceptor Information



Dr. Fiona Clarke

Practice Size	900
Patient Population	Rural
Inpatient Care	Newborn Care and Obstetrics
Deliveries	Yes
Procedures	Lumps and bumps, biopsies, tongue tie releases, c-section assists
Special Interests	Obstetrics teaching clinic, breastfeeding medicine, Mennonite population

Building, Reception and Waiting Area



Office and Clinic Space



Resident Perspectives

"I adore the Wellesley site and would strongly recommend it! We have the benefit of being connected to the larger CFFM family and all of their resources, while also getting a rural, jack-of-all-trades clinic experience. Dr. Moore and Dr. Clarke are excellent teachers and physicians who challenge me and help me seek out learning opportunities every day. They have predominantly rural-dwelling roster of patients, and I find that they are so appreciative of the care we can provide. I've been able to customize my experience in Wellesley based on my interests (including OB care, home visits/palliative care, and dermatology procedures) which has been a huge asset. Overall an amazing site with amazing staff and amazing patients!"

-PGY2 Amber Macleod, Class of 2026

"Wellesley is an excellent site for anyone who enjoys a smaller office, more rural population, or working with an excellent team! The preceptors and staff are all welcoming, easy to work with, and make for a comfortable learning environment. Being the only resident at the site ensures that you are able to tailor your learning to your needs and make the most of your time."

-PGY2 Paul Bullock, Class of 2024

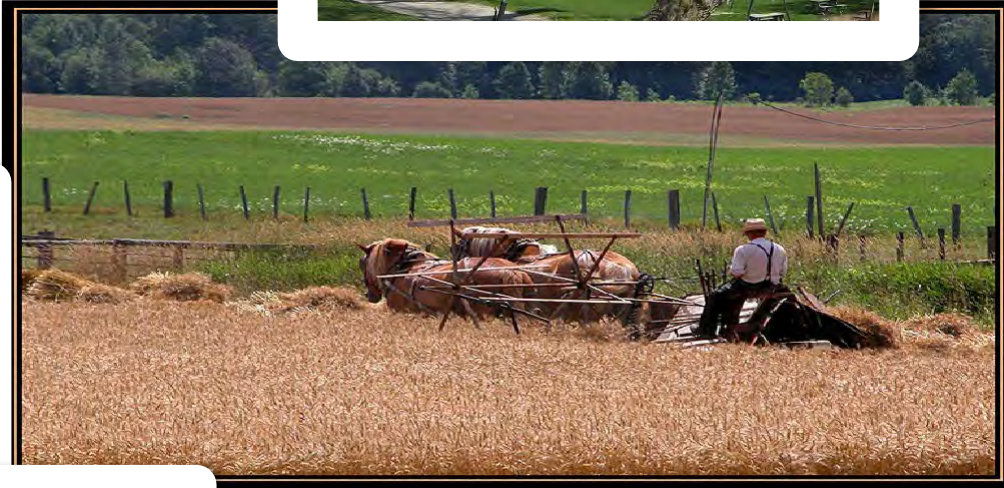
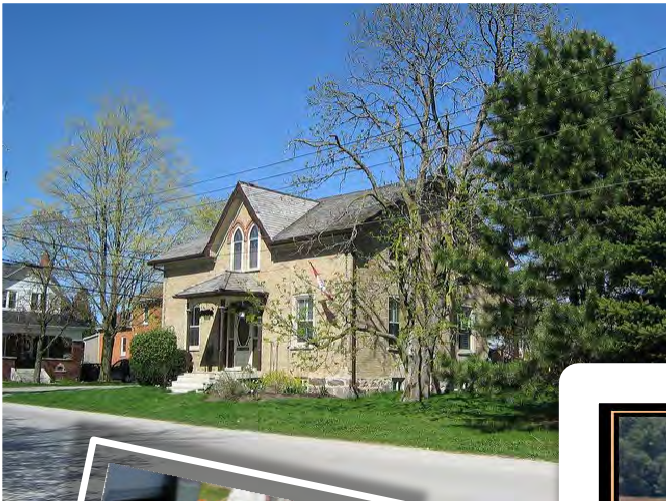
Resident Perspectives

Advantages

- outside of the city, more rural population
- gain experience with minor procedures ex. lesion removal, I&D abscess, laceration repair
- opportunities for home visits and palliative care/supportive care visits
- the patients are very receptive and welcoming to learners
- opportunity to be involved in teaching of the medical students who do rotations here
- most of the time there is only one resident at the site, which means tons of opportunity to do procedures, see interesting cases
- very welcoming staff, fun environment to work in, small site so get to know staff very well

Disadvantages

- approximately 30 minute drive from Kitchener/Waterloo
- not as much contact with fellow residents
- possibly higher workload within the rural/small clinic context (does offer more independence than the average resident though!)





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