

PEDIATRIC Community - Yellowknife (NWT)

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PREAMBLE:

1. While in Yellowknife, residents will be working at the **Stanton Territorial Hospital in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories**. Experiences in nursery, neonatal resuscitation, emergency consults, inpatient care, office pediatric consults/follow-up, and short-term critical care prior to patient transport to a referral centre. There may also be opportunities to do community outreach clinics in northern communities. At the end of this elective, the resident will have experienced community pediatrics as a consultant in a regional health centre located at some distance from a tertiary care centre providing consultant pediatric advice to nurse practitioners and family physicians located in isolated northern communities. In addition, the pediatric resident will have gained a further understanding of the healthcare needs of First Nations and Inuit pediatric patients and the obstacles to meeting these needs in northern communities. Residents will also gain a greater appreciation for the diverse culture of Indigenous and Inuit patients and how it impacts on healthcare delivery in the north. In addition, residents will gain exposure on how social determinants of health affect individual patients.

NWT Introduction Letter

What you need to do prior to rotation:

- Book your flight: plan to arrive the Sunday evening before the first Monday of the rotation, return flight on the Friday (you can choose to stay until the last Sunday of the rotation)
 - o Residents complete TAP form to book their flights, you can find details regarding this on your General Pediatrics Learner Site.
 - o No funding request needs to be put in prior to booking your flight so you can do this as soon as you'd like to secure cheap fares (speedcode can be found on the Learner Site).
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- You will receive an email from the Physicians Services Coordinator approximately 2 months prior to your rotation with a task list:
 - o Criminal Records Check + Vulnerable Sectors Check (within the previous 6 months) – can be scanned and emailed
 - o Resident's agreement for you to sign and return

Arranged for you:

- Letter of good standing sent in by program
- Accommodations organized by Yellowknife Coordinator
- eScription dictation number
- EMR training on your first day

Arrival in Yellowknife:

- You will receive another email approximately 2 weeks prior to the rotation with your room #, wifi and instructions for your arrival
- Take a taxi from the airport to the hospital
- Check in at front desk of apartment and receive your swipe card
- Go to the Stanton Hospital ED entrance and at the security desk, they can provide you with your hospital badge and orientation bag.

Accommodations:

- Stanton Suites
- You may or may not have a roommate for part of or for your entire rotation (2 bedroom suite with a shared bathroom)



- A 2 minute walk to the hospital and a grocery store
- Walmart down the road
- 10-15 min taxi to downtown
- 25 min walk to downtown by Frame Lake

Rotation:

- First day: 8am at the Clinic in the hospital
- You will be assigned to clinic with the staff on call (Mon-Fri)
- You will be responsible for rounding on all pediatric inpatients (rounds at 8am)
- Call: no formal schedule, you will receive a cell phone that will act as the pager, you are first call for ward patients and deliveries. For deliveries, you call staff immediately as it can take them up to 15 minutes to arrive. Take at least 1 weekend off and take some nights off to recharge after busy nights (tell staff and turn your phone off).
- Staff on call takes all outside calls and ED consults/admissions

Places to eat/things to do:

- Black Knight Pub (Wing Wednesdays)
- Bullock's Bistro (Fish)
- Birchwood Coffee
- Barren Ground Coffee
- Zehabesha (Ethiopian food)
- Sun Dog Trading Post (lunch, coffee, icecream)
- Woodyard Brewhouse & Eatery
- Copperhouse Eatery and Lounge (near the hospital)
- Tuesday market (in the summer/fall)
- Glassworks
- Hikes: Frame Lake trail (near hospital), Tin Can Hill trails (45 min walk/10 min drive from hospital), Cameron Falls (45 min drive away)