

Carlisle Medical Centre 2019 News Letter

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Dr. McMeekin Retiring

"It is with very mixed feelings that I am announcing my retirement on August 30, 2019. I have been privileged to know and work with you, in many cases for 39 years. We have shared both happy and sad times, and I will miss being part of your family's lives." Dr. McMeekin

I am happy to report that Dr. Ashley Thomson will be taking over my practice. Some of you may have met her already. She was with our practice as part of her training in family medicine and has worked as a locum on and off since then. Ashley is a caring and competent physician and I know I am leaving my patients in good hands.

Unfortunately, Dr. Nicola Crawford, who has been sharing my practice the past two years, will also be leaving the end of August; she will be pursuing other adventures with her family.

Dr. McMeekin will be here until the end of August, and though we are aware that changing doctors can make people feel nervous, we encourage you to meet with Dr. Thomson, she is approachable and kind.

Watch our website and signs at the clinic for details about a September open house to honour and celebrate Dr. McMeekin.



Dr. Ashley Thomson and Husband Jordan

Dr. Thomson graduated from Queen's Medical School in 2015 and completed her Family Medicine Residency in Hamilton at McMaster University, in 2017. She lives in the area with her husband Jordan and their two cats. She is looking forward to joining the team and getting to know everyone.

Dr. Thomson is taking a **limited** number of new patients. Please call the office for further details.

Going Away?

Did you know that travel medicine advice and services for traveling outside of Canada are not covered by OHIP? Whether you see our clinical pharmacist, your own doctor or a travel clinic, you will need to cover the cost of the visit and/or vaccines as we are unable to bill OHIP for anything that is travel related. Remember to give yourself plenty of time before you travel to seek medical advice since some treatments/vaccines take time to work.

What is a Locum?

A locum is a fully qualified doctor who has completed all of their family medicine training. They are hired by the clinic to replace a vacationing physician (like a substitute teacher). A locum may be covering your physician's practice for a day, a week or several weeks. They are available to see you while your doctor is away. This ensures that your medical needs are dealt with in a timely manner even though your doctor may be away from the office.

What is a Resident?

A resident is a recently graduated doctor who has completed medical school and is getting family medicine specific training for a two year period before working independently. Our physicians often supervise residents from McMaster so you may be asked to see a resident when calling for an appointment. When your appointment is with the resident, they will be the one seeing you and the supervising doctor will be reviewing the visit with the resident as needed.

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