

Trent Hills Family Health Team – NURSING & NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Nursing Students

Registered nurses and registered practical nurses are very important members of the Trent Hills Family Health Team. They work to their full scope of practice and are the drivers for many of the programs and services we offer to patients. Their expert, caring nature ensures our patients are satisfied with every visit to our clinics.

Our clinic offers a number of nurse-led programs to our rostered patients:

- Anticoagulation (INR) and Thromboembolic Disease Prevention Program
- Cervical Screening
- Spirometry
- Diabetes Management and Prevention
- Cognitive Testing
- Influenza and Immunization
- Non-Cancer Chronic Pain Management
- Smoking Cessation

Trent Hills Family Health Team provides opportunities for nursing students to complete the Community Health Nursing Practice. All practicum arrangements in our clinic are initiated through the nursing universities. Previous students have been from Trent /Fleming School of Nursing and Lakehead University School of Nursing.

Nurse Practitioner Clinical Placements

Nurse Practitioners are an integral part of the clinical staff at Trent Hills Family Health Team. Currently we have one full time and three part-time Nurse Practitioners.

As part of a collaborative team with the physicians, our nurse practitioners work to their full scope of practice: diagnosing of common diseases, prescribing and administration of certain treatments and medications, and ordering basic diagnostic tests (i.e., lab tests and x-rays). As well, they are also involved in health promotion, disease prevention, wellness care and have been instrumental in the development of patient programs.

All our rostered patients are able to book appointments with the NPs at the main site, including those of the solo satellite clinics in Colborne, Hastings, and Warkworth.

Trent Hills Family Health Team provides rural clinical placements for the Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner Program at Queen's University. Preceptor duties are shared among our four staff Nurse Practitioners. Arrangements for these clinical placements are initiated by Queen's University School of Nursing, Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner Certificate Program - http://nursing.queensu.ca/pr_primary.php