Welcome to ROMP!

Michelle Hunter, MSC
Rural Ontario Medical Program
“We don’t need more doctors, we need more general practitioners, especially in rural and remote areas. If medical students don’t want those jobs, then perhaps we’re not attracting the right people to medical school.

Becoming a doctor is hard. It’s also a privilege. We need a system that ensures the right doctors are working in the right places, not one where personal desires can trump societal needs.”
Why community based training?

Urban vs Rural
Training = Recruitment/Retention of Physicians...Why?

After a rural background, the next strongest factor associated with entering rural practice is undergraduate and postgraduate clinical experience in a rural setting.

-Wonca Policy on Training for Rural Practice 1995
What we do...

...Since 1988

Dr. Peter Wells
Vision

To be the partner of choice for inspiring the next generation of healthcare professionals in rural Ontario
Mission

Putting patients first by combining innovative practices in medical education and community integration, by facilitating high quality experiences for patients, communities, preceptors and learners.
ROMP Values

- Patients First
- Next generation
- Hostmanship
- Economic value
- Quality improvement
ROMP Stakeholders and Partners

- Community care providers
- MOHLTC
- Hospitals
- Municipalities
- Medical schools
- Learners
- Patients
Current State

Ontario Medical Schools

South Central Ontario Communities & Preceptors

Medical Learners

Canadian Residents

International Medical Students

Canadian Medical Students

Nurse Practitioner

Midwifery

Other Health Care Professionals

Physician Assistant

From Education to Sustainability
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Why ROMP?

Our Research shows

• 47% learners choose rural/regional (10 year review of graduates)
• 85% - 100% stay after 2 years in local area
• 70% stay after a 2 year program overall

• Next Generation has opportunity to learn knowledge skills and attitudes for community practice
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ROMP Supporting The Healthcare Career Continuum

HOSTMANSHIP

Example: Dr. Recoskie
You have landed!
This is home for the next 4+ weeks...
Orientation upon arrival can include:

- Recreational Guide to your community
- Local “Spots”
- Hospital I.D. Badge/ Pager/Parking
- Community Offerings for horizontalss
- Maps of the area
- Directories of physicians
Welcome to our community!
Accommodations
Owen Sound
Queen’s University
May 29th to June 2nd, 2017
Discover what the Rural Ontario Medical Program can do for you!
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- Patient Days: 24,942
- General Surgeries: 4,658
- Hip & Knee Surgeries: 186
- Emergency Visits: 34,272
- Admissions: 4,443
- Physicians, Midwives, Dentists: 96
- Imaging Tests: 57,333
- Births: 550
- Average Length of Stay (days): 5.6
- ECG Procedures: 9,005
- Beds: 68
- Staff: 550
- Volunteers: 400
- Mental Health Clinic Visits: 8,404
- Outpatient Clinic Visits: 18,264
- Pulmonary Diagnostic Procedures: 7,144
# ROMP Report Card

## Healthcare Impact

**South Georgian Bay Region**

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AND ALL THE OTHER HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS!

- Community Mental Health
- Nursing
- Dietary
- Environmental
- Imaging
- Laboratory
- Respiratory Tech
- Palliative
- Dialysis/Diabetic Care
- Surgical Care
- Wound Care
- OTN
- Infection Control
- Ambulatory Care
- Health Records
- Paramedics
- Medical Office Assistants
- Midwifery

Thank you for Health professional Team support
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Economic Impact

- 20 Physicians
- 25-30 Nurses (office)
- 10 Nurses (program)
- 96 Jobs (ED Multiplier 2.4*40)

$7 – $10 Million

$2 Million (US $ per Year/1 Doc)

500,000 – $1 million CDN per year
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Improving patient care delivery by encouraging ongoing learning and adoption of new innovative health care practices

Resident Research Day
What can I do if I am not a physician?

• Attend community education and innovation forum

• Educating healthcare professionals in the community puts patients first
  – When you go to your doctor....

  Be a patient for a student/resident!
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