Family Physician Opportunities
in Inuvik, Northwest Territories

Live. Work. Expand Your Opportunities.

Are you a Family Physician with enhanced anesthesia skills looking for a change of pace in a quaint Arctic town? Are you intrigued by the idea of five-minute work commutes and wilderness adventures just outside your door? Does a salaried contract with benefits and without the hassles of a fee-for-service practice appeal to you?

Then come North to live, work, and explore the Northwest Territories.

To learn more, contact us at PracticeNWT@gov.nt.ca or visit www.PracticeNWT.ca.
Practicing Family Medicine in Inuvik

Inuvik is currently recruiting for a permanent Family Physician with Enhanced skills in Anesthesia. We offer a breathtaking locale while providing breath for those “going under”! It is an unparalleled place to live and work. We welcome good people, and support friends or family who may be considering the move with you.

The Inuvik Regional Hospital is the northernmost hospital with an OR on the continent. It is a 48 bed facility, including long-term care. The 14-bed acute care unit includes 2 labour and delivery rooms. Family Physicians reside in Inuvik and are part of a primary community care team, providing services in seven or more community health centers through scheduled travel, telephone, and Telehealth consultation.

Your anesthetic skills will be active with sedations for our high-caliber endoscopy program, general anesthetics for weekly pediatric dental cases, a variety of elective procedures from cesarean sections to visiting specialist cases, and epidurals. You will also play a key role in our team for emergency care.

Your practice will include clinic, inpatient care, and emergency medicine in our rural hospital. Low-risk obstetrical care is an asset, but not required. Inuvik’s full time compliment includes ESS Physicians, FP-Anesthetists, and General Practitioners. We host a variety of visiting specialists from Yellowknife and Edmonton, including Obstetrics and Gynecology, Orthopedic Surgery, General Surgery, ENT, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Psychiatry, and others.

We are an active teaching hospital with strong partnerships with the University of British Columbia and McMaster University. Our site has been described as a “Gold standard” for such training by UBC Faculty.

If you are ready for a great sense of community, you will not meet a better, more collegial group of physicians to work with in all of Canada than right here, above the Arctic Circle, in the heart of the Mackenzie River Delta.

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Compensation & Benefits

NWT physicians are provided with a unique salaried contract, with one of the best compensation packages in the country!

Benefits for a full-time Family Physician GPA in Inuvik include:

- Unique salaried contract, with one, two, and three-year options
- $1,410,344 - $1,459,273 range of gross earnings (approximate) over a 3-year contract, based on full range coverage with specialty training in anesthesia, which includes:
  - Annual salary
  - Annual northern living allowance
  - Recruitment bonus
  - First time signing bonus
  - Annual retention bonus
  - Retirement income benefits
- No overhead, practice management, or billing with salaried contract
- Liability, travel, and malpractice insurance costs covered
- 100% of Northwest Territories CMPA Membership Fees Covered
- Paid vacation, starting at 26.5 days per year
- Paid sick leave, starting at 18 days per year
- Paid maternal / parental leave benefits
- Paid callbacks
- Support for professional fees and educational materials ($4,000 per year)
- Continued medical education support for travel and reimbursement of expenses (up to 16 days, $13,000 per year)
- Relocation assistance
- Group benefits, including dental, extended health, life, AD&D, and disability

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Living Here

The Northwest Territories (NWT) is home to approximately 43,000 people in 33 communities across a landscape of over 1.34 million square kilometers.

Located just above the 68th parallel lies Canada’s most northern region, the Beaufort Delta, with a population of 7,100 in eight surrounding communities. Inuvik is the third largest community in the NWT and is full of northern culture, beauty, adventure, and Pingos!

You will find a new appreciation for snowshoeing, dogsledding, fishing, paddling or boating on the Mackenzie because of this vast and yet charming region.

Drive Canada’s famous Dempster highway to explore to the surrounding communities. Or find your way to the to the Arctic Ocean on the Inuvik-Tuktoyaktuk road.

Fun Facts About the NWT

- Inuvik is Canada’s northern most official town and home to the world’s most northern full service hospital.
- NWT is home of Nahanni National Park, the first site in the world to be granted UNESCO world heritage status in 1978.
- NWT is the world’s second largest producer of diamonds.
- Northern Lights are visible 250 days each year.
- The Dempster highway, Canada’s only all weather highway across the Arctic, connects Dawson City, Yukon to Tuktoyaktuk on the Arctic Ocean.