



**PCH**  
PRINCE COUNTY  
HOSPITAL

**Practice Medicine  
Practice Living**

City of  
*Summerside*

Prince Edward Island  
Canada

# Summerside

You're going to love it!





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*My family and I love the small town atmosphere and first class medical facilities. For me, it's the perfect balance.*

**Dr. Tyler McDonell**  
Family Medicine and Hospitalist





## The Lifestyle: Summerside PEI

# Just imagine!

**Imagine** a higher standard of living with lower expenses!

**Imagine** a new house for half the price of most other cities!

**Imagine** raising kids in one of Canada's safest communities!

**Imagine** launching your sailboat just around the corner!

**Imagine** strolling the ocean boardwalk whenever you want!

**Imagine** road trips with no chance of a traffic jam!

**Imagine** an average commute of 5 minutes!



Located in scenic Prince Edward Island on the east coast of Canada, the City of Summerside offers a lifestyle that very few others can match.

Featuring the attractions and liveliness of modern city life—without the stress and challenges of large urban centres—Summerside is a friendly community where shopping, restaurants, sports and entertainment are never more than a few minutes away... and with plenty of parking when you arrive. (That's if you decide not to walk). It's a place where you want the kids to grow up and where you can kick back and have fun as you practice living to the fullest.

A \$35-million-dollar sports and entertainment complex, quaint shopping districts, live theatre, beautiful beaches and a tasty choice of restaurants add to the immeasurable pleasures of living life in Summerside.

Surrounded by natural beauty bathed in fresh ocean air, Summerside combines a high level of public services with a low cost of living... yet another reason to practice medicine here!

*We chose Summerside because of the quality of life it offers. It's a friendly community, my colleagues are supportive and I have time to enjoy my family.*

**Dr. April MacPhee, Pediatrics**



## The Hospital: Prince County **Waiting with open arms!**

The Summerside medical community comprises a group of dedicated professionals working with advanced amenities to deliver the highest level in service and care for Prince Edward Islanders.

In addition to private medical offices, the community includes the multidisciplinary Summerside Medical Centre employing 24 physicians; Harbourside Health Centre, a Health PEI collaborative facility, and Prince County Hospital.

**Prince County Hospital (PCH)** is a 110-bed facility, the province's newest hospital and one that will welcome you to a truly collegial culture.

PCH provides a variety of services including Emergency Medicine, Surgical Services, Maternal and Child Health, Internal Medicine, Restorative Care, Medical Palliative, Mental Health and Addictions, Radiology, Lab Services, Ambulatory Care, Women's Wellness Center, Pharmacy Services, Rehab Services, and Outpatient Dialysis.

**Emergency Department** is staffed with full time dedicated Emergency Physicians supported by family physicians with an interest in emergency medicine part time. It consists of two trauma bays, four-bed critical care unit, seven-bed holding unit and five treatment and procedure rooms, supporting approximately 24,000 visits per year. We have a fully updated Helipad with access to tertiary care centres. Island Emergency Medical Services provide paramedic services to the province.

**Family practice/Primary care** offers a range of expertise and services in inpatient hospital care which encom-

*Best hospital ever!*

**Helga Reisch**  
*Family physician and Palliative care*

passes newborn to geriatric care, both medical and postoperative. There is a dedicated hospitalist service supported by family physicians who follow their own inpatients, obstetrics and women's wellness, newborn care and pediatrics, minor procedures, palliative care, operating room assisting, emergency room shifts, and mental health and addictions.

**Surgical Services** includes three state-of-the-art, integrated Operating Rooms with 4K laparoscopic equipment. Full time anesthesia service also provides an epidural service and pain management service.

**General Surgery** includes acute care surgery, advanced laparoscopic procedures with upper GI or foregut surgery, colorectal surgery, hepatobiliary and hernia repair as well as endoscopic procedures. Other services provided include breast disease and limited thoracic, vascular and plastic surgery.

**Other Surgical Services** include outpatient plastic surgery, orthopedic surgery, urology and dental surgery.

**Gynecology** provides medical and surgical therapies for menstrual dysfunction, pelvic pain, infertility investigations, infectious disease, urinary incontinence, pelvic organ prolapse and cancer screen/detection/treatment.



**Women's wellness program** includes teen reproductive health, infertility investigations, contraception, pregnancy termination, menopause management, counseling services for pregnancy loss, post-partum depression, menopause, and gender identity and sexual health.

**Ear Nose and Throat** services includes a full range of otology, endoscopic sinus, laryngeal and head and neck surgery.

**Maternal and Child Care Unit (MCCU)** offers six private labour and delivery/post-partum care rooms and three post-operative/antenatal rooms to support over 500 deliveries/year. There is also a three-bed level two neonatal nursery and a fully equipped neonatal resuscitation room, eight private pediatric rooms and a pediatric procedure room. MCCU provides numerous pediatric ambulatory services including infusion therapy, specialty vaccine clinics, wound care and supports visiting specialty clinics.

**Internal Medicine** provides general internal medicine consultation services and comprehensive management of a six-bed intensive care unit. Other Internal Medicine services include noninvasive cardiac testing, pulmonary function testing, endoscopy, pace-maker insertion, stroke prevention clinics as well as respiratory and cardiac rehabilitation are available.

**Mental health** provides both in and outpatient care for children, adolescents, adults and the elderly. A 14-bed voluntary unit is incorporated in PCH and serviced by local psychiatrists. An outreach clinic provides integrated care for those with severe prolonged mental illness, providing a full spectrum of care including ECT. An outpatient addictions program, part of a provincial program that provides care for all types of addictions, utilizes various treatment models including harm reduction, support and abstinence approaches.

**Palliative Care services** are provided and are part of the Integrated Palliative Care Program.

**Radiology** provides fully integrated and updated digital services including fluoroscopy, Computer Tomography (CT) (128 slices), ultrasound, mammography and portable x-rays, available on a province-wide PACS system. MRI is available at alternate Island site.

**Lab services** provide a full range of onsite biochemistry, microbiology, hematology, transfusion and pathology services.

**Ambulatory care** unit supports visiting provincial consultants which includes oncology, plastic surgery, urology, clinical microbiology, nephrology and onsite dermatology, general surgery and gynecology. Also available is Women's Wellness Center, wound care, enterostomal therapy, PICC insertion, and infusion therapy.

**Oncology services** are provided as part of the Provincial Oncology Program.

**Endoscopy** unit performs upper and lower gastrointestinal endoscopic investigations, and bronchoscopy. Esophageal motility and pH/impedance studies are performed. ERCP is available at alternate site.

**Hemodialysis** is provided as an outpatient service. Peritoneal dialysis and pre/post-transplant care is provided as part of a provincial program.

**Resident teaching** is an integral service, with full time family practice residents and visiting medical students and residents.

**Allied Health:** Physio and Occupational therapy, Respiratory Therapy and Home care services are provided. A Restorative care inpatient unit is available.

*Dr. Steven MacNeill*



*We have a great group of docs here, in a fantastic facility that is large enough to have the resources to deal with most things but small enough to be personal, flexible, and responsive to change. My scope of practice is larger here than it would be in a tertiary care centre, and I enjoy the challenge that that offers. I like walking through the halls and knowing all my colleagues and many of the support staff by name. My wife and I have never regretted choosing PEI to work and raise our family.*

**Dr. Steven MacNeill**  
*Emergency Physician*

**Pharmacy** provides a range of services including TPN, chemotherapy and medication management support. Nutritional and dietary service provides management and dietary assessments.

**The Hospital Foundation** offers ongoing support and financial assistance in updating our equipment on an annual basis.

An active adult and youth **Volunteer program** assists in programs at PCH.



## The Prince County Hospital Wanted: Medical Graduates

If you're a recent graduate looking to transition from the educational environment to the working world, it can be a daunting experience. We know because we've been there and we've made it a point to never forget. That's what makes the Summerside medical community and Prince County Hospital such a comfortable place to begin your career.

The Summerside medical community is like no other and by that we mean positive. Our team will help you establish your practice and get your family settled in, ensuring a smooth transition to the City. One of the first things you are likely to discover is how easy it is to get around in Summerside. You will then find out that working in Summerside, you can achieve just as much as in any big city but in a friendlier place. Moreover, with easy access to our air and road networks, you're never far from major centres.

### *Here's what you have to look forward to*

- + A bright newer hospital (2004) with superb facilities and ready-to-move-in office
- + A supportive medical community committed to helping ensure your success
- + A new home for an average price of just \$154,000\*
- + The education you want for your children—Summerside has some of the top schools in the country, with services from kindergarten to Grade 12 in both English and French, including full immersion
- + Recreation—cycling, kayaking, sailing, wind surfing, kite surfing, paddle boarding, etc.
- + Sports—hockey, curling, soccer, softball, baseball, tennis
- + Entertainment—live theatre, casino, harness racing, big-name performers at Credit Union Place
- + All the personal and convenience services your spouse could desire
- + Life in a green environment—46% of Summerside's energy needs come from renewable sources

\*Q4 2017





*Prince County Hospital is the cleanest, most collegial hospital I've ever worked in. The teamwork is impressive and everyone does what they can to give the best possible care to our patients.*

**Dr. John Morash**  
Family Medicine



## The Prince County Hospital

# Wanted: Experienced Physicians

If you're a seasoned professional looking for a less hectic lifestyle while still enjoying the professional and social commitments of your career, Summerside and Prince County Hospital is the place to be. Your specialty is needed and your help will most certainly be welcomed and rewarded.

For the experienced physician, the Summerside medical community offers you a well-earned balance of work and play in a place that presents real medical challenges; a place in which you can make a real difference and where your efforts bring more meaningful rewards.

### ***Here's what you have to look forward to***

- + Acknowledgement and appreciation of your service
- + Pride in belonging to a small group of caring specialists
- + A stress-free environment with a 5-minute commute
- + Golf (club membership for as little as \$1,200 a year), cycling, boating, fly fishing, fitness
- + Live theatre, harness racing, casino, big-name performers at Credit Union Place
- + Farmers market and just enough shopping to keep everyone happy
- + Seven kilometres of oceanfront boardwalk to walk whenever you want
- + All the personal and convenience services your spouse could desire
- + Fabulous restaurants – an oyster of opportunity never more than a short drive away





*Summerside offers a collegial work environment and a wonderful quality of life for families.*

**Dr. Rob McKay**  
General Surgeon

## The Prince County Hospital

# The Jobs: Your Opportunities

This is your personal invitation to launch the next phase in your life.

The Summerside medical community is currently looking to supplement its talented group of medical professionals by filling available positions.

Here is your opportunity to reach out, ask questions and register your interest in an exciting new career, practicing medicine in the beautiful City of Summerside and at Prince County Hospital.

### ***A city all geared to the future***

As Prince Edward Island's second largest city, Summerside is the primary commercial centre of Prince County. With a population of 16,000 and a local trading population of 45,000, it is the most densely populated region of the county.

Summerside's economy has experienced significant growth and diversity over the past decade. More than 600 companies now call it home and enterprises range from high technology to transportation, education, tourism, retail and light industry. Twenty-five percent of the City's business establishments are large corporate and

public institutions, seventy-five per cent have between 1 and 10 employees. It's an economy attracting small business and multinationals alike.

### ***We'll make it so easy for you***

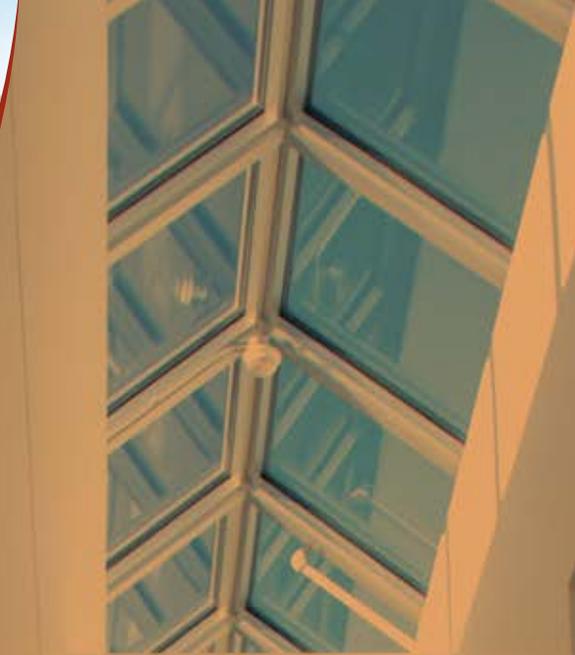
With the full support and services of a team that guides and helps you at every step of the way, making the transition to Summerside couldn't be easier.

Call us and discover the practice you've dreamed of. We very much look forward to hearing from you.

*You can't choose where you're born, but you can choose where you raise your family. We chose Summerside for our family and are so glad we did. Our friends are colleagues, our colleagues are friends and our work life balance is second to none!*

**Dr. Matt Kutcher**  
Primary Care Physician

**Dr. Martha Carmichael**  
Geriatrician



## The Number to Call for...

- The practice you want
- The appreciation you deserve
- A higher standard of living
- A safer community
- A new house for half price
- A 5-minute commute
- Great schools for the kids
- All the fresh air you can breathe

## Summerside

*Take 2 deep breaths and call me in the morning.*

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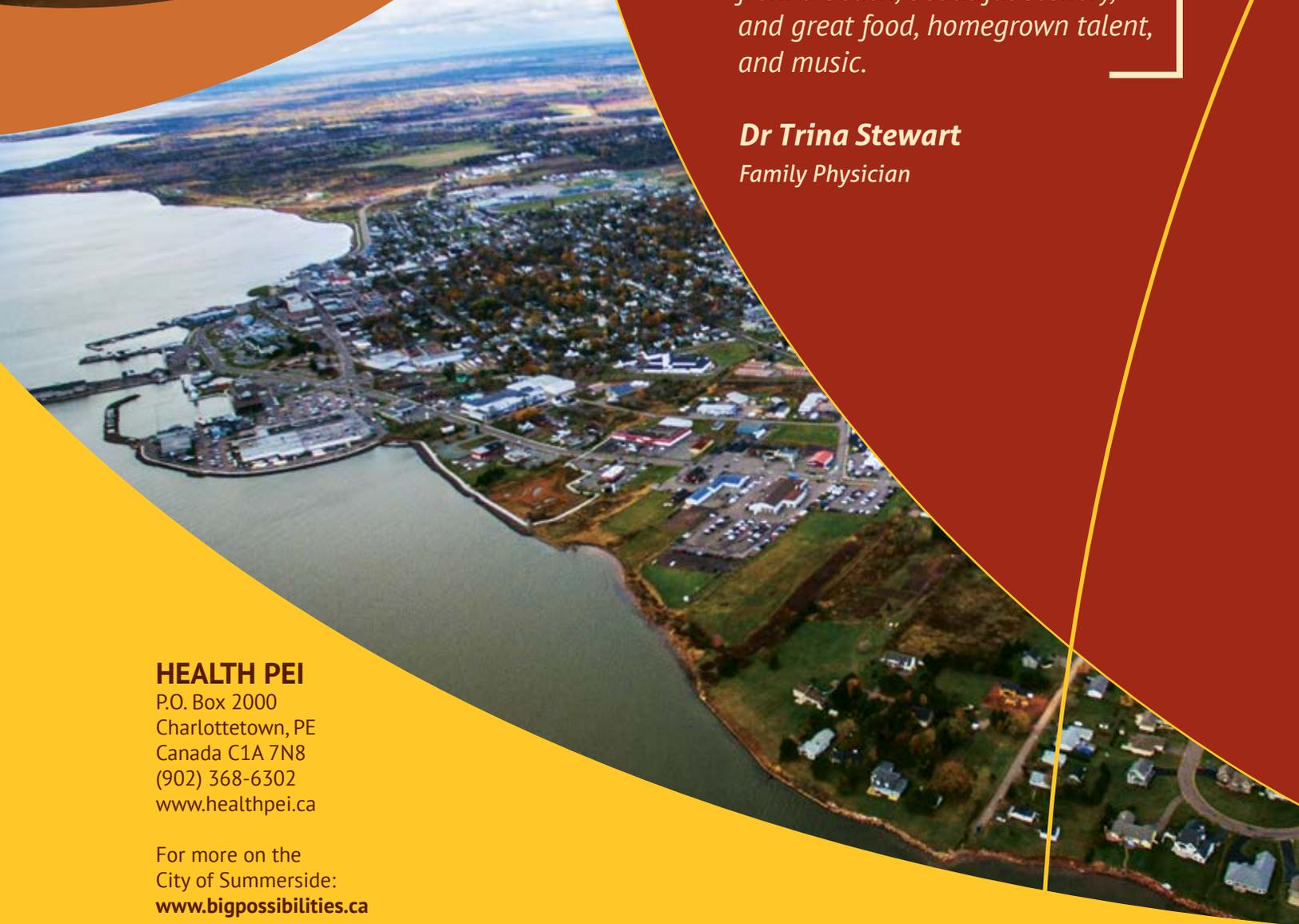
**[www.bigpossibilities.ca](http://www.bigpossibilities.ca)**





*Practicing family medicine in Summerside allows me to spread my wings and not only pursue comprehensive family practice but also special interests such as dermatology, physician leadership, and medical education. The added bonus is raising my family in a place where you are never far from a beach, beautiful scenery, and great food, homegrown talent, and music.*

**Dr Trina Stewart**  
Family Physician



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