

Name of Rotation:	General Surgery – St. Thomas
Description of Rotation:	<p>The St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital is located 30 minutes south of London. It is the only hospital in Elgin county which serves a population of 80,000. St. Thomas is a full service hospital with most services found at larger hospitals including internal medicine, obstetrics, pediatrics, palliative care, and a host of surgical subspecialties. We enjoy a good working relationship with our community GP's and hospitalists who are actively involved in inpatient and outpatient care.</p> <p>There are 5 General Surgeons on staff. Dr. Rob Black, Dr. Paul Collins, Dr. David Bottoni, Dr. Alex Zhuruk, and Dr. Jeff Armstrong(all Western Grads) cover surgical subspecialties which include the traditional domain of general surgery, plastic surgery, endoscopy, thoracic surgery, intensive care medicine, and ambulatory surgery. The true appeal of this rotation to Family Medicine residents is the assessment and management of a wide variety of basic surgical diseases on the ward and the ambulatory care procedures such as rigid sigmoidoscopy, excision of lesions, scleral therapy, and wound care.</p>
Rotation Contact:	Dr. Rob Black
Description of Clinical Duties Performed:	Learners attend operating theatre to learn operative skills and assisting skills. Surgical Ward Rounds occur every morning to assess patients and review care pathway. Consults are seen on the Wards, Emergency Department and Ambulatory Clinic.
Sample Schedule:	Typical work day is 7am to 4pm Monday thru Friday. Home CALL is 7 days per month.

On-Call Requirements:	Home Call
Description of Setting:	Surgical Ward, Emergency Department, ICU, Ambulatory Care Clinic, and Operating Theatre
Clinical Supervision:	Direct Clinical teaching from group of 5 General Surgeons and other residents (PGY-2,3 or 4 General Surgery Resident)
Level of Residents Accepted:	PGY1,PGY2,PGY3
Teaching:	Learners attend their usual London Teaching Rounds on Wednesdays. There is opportunity to teach Medical Students at all four levels
Description of Location:	St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital 189 Elm Street St. Thomas, ON