



Name of Rotation:	Palliative Care – Hospice London
Description of Rotation:	The resident will be based out of St. Joseph's Hospice, and will also take part in Community Palliative Care Home Visits.
	St. Joseph's Hospice of London is a 10 bed residential hospice. Patients are admitted directly from the Southwest LIHN / London-Middlesex community as well as via transfer from local acute care hospitals. These patients are admitted for the purpose of pain control, symptom management and ultimately for end-of-life care. These patients are in the end stages of both cancer and non-cancer advanced disease and are estimated to have a life expectancy of 3 months or less.
	The Resident will have ample opportunity to be responsible for admissions at Hospice and Home Visit Consults in the Community. This will include becoming familiar with and using standard tools for symptom assessment eg. pain, dyspnea, cognitive function, bowel function, nausea and vomiting and depression. The Resident will learn to first establish a patient's goals of care and then develop a comprehensive management plan based on these goals. The Resident will continue to follow the patients during the rotation.
	The Hospice Team physicians are part of a larger on-call group that covers St. Joseph's Hospice, the Parkwood Institute Palliative Care Unit and the London-Middlesex community palliative patients. The Resident may assume first on-call (first person called with the Hospice Team physician as backup) according to the group's ongoing call schedule.
Rotation Contact:	Dr. Natalie Hertzman

Description of Clinical Duties Performed:	Hospice inpatients and Community Home Visits
Sample Schedule:	Daily rounding at Hospice and half day of home visits
On-Call Requirements:	Depending on call schedule, may include a week of on call.
Description of Setting:	Hospice, Community Palliative Care Home Visits
Clinical Supervision:	Dr. Natalie Hertzman
Clinical Content:	Palliative Care and end of life care symptom management. Goals of care.
Objectives/Expectations:	Becoming familiar with and using standard tools for symptom assessment eg. pain, dyspnea, cognitive function, bowel function, nausea and vomiting and depression. The Resident will learn to first establish a patient's goals of care and then develop a comprehensive management plan based on these goals.
Level of Residents Accepted:	PGY1,PGY2,PGY3
Teaching:	No teaching
Description of Location:	London, Ontario