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***New Physician to join Trent Hills Family Health Team at Warkworth location***

**NEWS:**

Campbellford Memorial Hospital (CMH) and the Trent Hills Family Health Team (THFHT) are pleased to announce that Dr. Kelly Parks will be opening a medical practice on May 1st, 2014. As the newest member of the THFHT and CMH associate staff, she will be based out of the Warkworth Medical Centre on George Street, sharing offices and staff with Dr. Brett Jamieson.

Dr. Parks was recruited with the assistance of the Trent Hills Physician Recruitment & Retention Committee and through Dr. Jamieson's professional association with Queen's University's Family Medicine Residency Program. Dr. Parks completed 4 months of residency training in Warkworth, from October 2012 to February 2013, and it was this block experience that sold her on the community, the Family Health Team and the hospital.

Planning for her patient load, Dr. Parks will begin by rostering (signing up) existing patients from a combination of practices within the THFHT. Some of those patients will be receiving a letter outlining sign up options. This will allow for some of the larger practices to have a more balanced patient load.

The THFHT has set up a special phone line for patients who receive a letter.

**QUOTES:**

**Dr. Kelly Parks:** "After spending 4 months as a resident in the Warkworth office and CMH, I look forward to joining the Trent Hills Family Health Team, and making the area my new home!"

**Dr. Bob Henderson, Medical Director, THFHT:** "The physicians of the Trent Hills Family Health Team are very happy to welcome Dr. Parks to our ranks. She is known to us from her time here as a resident and we know her to be an excellent family physician and a great person. We, and the people of this community, are lucky to have her".

**Dr. Brett Jamieson, THFHT associate:** "I am thrilled to have Kelly coming on board with me in Warkworth and as the newest member of the Team. It was a pleasure to be involved in a teaching process that blossomed into recruitment. She brings with her a depth of knowledge that includes palliative care and her patients will be well served".

**QUICK FACTS:**

- Dr. Parks is a recent graduate of Queen's University's Family Medicine Residency Program after receiving her degree in Medicine from the American University of the Caribbean (St Maarten, Netherlands Antilles). Prior to obtaining her medical licensure, and after completing a B.Sc.

(Physiotherapy) and Honours B.A. (Physical Education) from the University of Western Ontario, Dr. Parks practiced as a Physiotherapist in the Peterborough area for 17 years

- Dr. Parks has now completed additional postgraduate training in Palliative Care at Queen's and, along with her other professional affiliations, is a member of the Canadian Society of Palliative Care Physicians
- Outside of work, Dr. Parks is an avid figure skater, coach and medical volunteer on the local figure skating scene

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