INTERPROFESSIONAL LEARNING OFFERS

- Increased understanding of one another’s professions and contributions to quality care
- Greater respect and value for one another
- Increased confidence in communicating with others and dealing with differences
- More collaborative client-centred care

Some of the best learning happens at an informal team basis such as through shared living, outdoor activities, and casual get-togethers.

One of the primary strengths of the program was in creating a greater understanding of the perspectives, goals, and skill sets of other health professionals, which will undoubtedly aid our ability to work in a more efficient and cooperative manner in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this encouraging and innovative program. I believe this program is a step in the right direction in creating more respect, understanding and teamwork between health care professionals. As future doctors we have benefited greatly from our involvement with the IRPbc.

—MEDICAL STUDENT

RURAL PRACTICE OFFERS

- Exposure to full scope of practice along the continuum of care. Opportunity to be ‘jack of all trades’
- Friendly welcoming environment for students – don’t have to compete for learning opportunities with other students compared to larger centres
- Lots of challenges with opportunity to use assessment, decision-making, and technical skills
- Learn to be flexible and creative with limited resources
- First hand look at how population health factors (employment, housing, education) and political influences affect health care in communities
- Teamwork in action!

You quickly learn to think outside the box —OT STUDENT

TEAM PROJECTS

The 8 student teams to-date have undertaken a range of team projects:
- Community display on health care careers
- Community display on lung health
- Prevention of back injuries education session
- Falls prevention program

- Diabetes resource manual for health professionals
- Information brochure on Long QT syndrome
- Presentation on IRPbc provided to BC Minister of Health Planning and many others

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