

Northern Interior Rural Division of Family Practice PO Box 114 Prince George, BC V2L 4R9

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Dear Mayor and Council,

The Northern Interior Rural Division of Family Practice works with medical learners in the region and physicians to recruit and retain physicians in the region. The new UBC Rural Immersion Program launched last year. This program allows UBC Residents to do their entire residency program in a rural community. Traditionally, residency has taken place in major city centres with specialists. This year Mackenzie matched with a resident. Mackenzie will have a Family Practice Resident for two years in the community. The Resident is Jacob Bryan and he is already looking at purchasing a home in our community.

In addition to Jacob, Mackenzie will also be welcoming two new physicians in September that will fill a 1.0 FTE and .5 FT. Matthew Norman and Christina Cleveland are the two new physicians joining our community. Both new physicians were once medical students in our community.

We would like the District of Mackenize's assistance in welcoming Jacob and our two new physicians with a six-month recreation pass and some promotional items to assist the Northern Interior Rural Division of Family Practice with a warm welcome to our medical professionals.

A warm welcome helps to transition newcomers to our community and get them integrated into the community.

The Division appreciates any support the District of Mackenzie can offer at this time.

Sincerely,

Joy Davy

Joy Davy Recruitment Lead