



Resident Physician of the Month
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Dr. Kristine Smith
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I'm from Saskatoon, SK! Born and raised on the prairies, I majored in Toxicology at the University of Saskatchewan before I completed my MD there. Then I was lucky enough to end up at the University of Calgary for my residency in Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery. With the support of my amazing mentors and colleagues here, I developed a passion for teaching and research (some days I'd rather do research instead of operating). The opportunities here are endless and I'm happy I found the perfect residency program for me.

When I'm not on call or doing research, I love to rock climb and if I don't go scuba diving at least once a year, I go into ocean withdrawal. I have a huge family back home who I visit as much as I can. I also have a new family of stellar friends in Calgary who I spend as much time with as I can (thanks for being so awesome guys!) – although sometimes my Netflix binges on terrible sci-fi series glues me to the couch...

A colleague had this to say about Dr. Smith:

Kristine is one of the best residents I have had the pleasure of working with. As a senior resident, she runs an efficient team and makes all her learners feel accountable, involved and included in day to day patient care duties. She goes out of her way to make sure that your learning objectives are identified and met on rotation.

Kristine is a great teacher and has an obvious passion for sharing her extensive knowledge of ENT with not only the junior learners, but also with her patients. She makes a huge effort to help her patients understand their diseases, treatments and what to expect in the course of their illness. It is evident that her patients remember her well and are grateful for her patience and kindness.

Congratulations Dr. Smith!