

Dr. Philip Green (currently a fully certified GP at the Atwood Clinic Williams Lake)

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Dr. Justina Baltrunaite

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#### EDUCATION DR. BATRUNAITE

Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (BM BS), University of Limerick, Ireland Jun 2021)

#### REQUIRED TO PRACITSE MEDICINE IN CANADA (Dr. Baltrunaite) :

Orthopedic surgery post graduate medical education

#### SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

I (Dr. Philip Green) am currently a GP working at the Atwood clinic in Williams Lake. My wife Dr. Justina Baltrunaite also currently lives in Williams lake with me. We love the community and would love to settle in Williams Lake long term.

Dr. Justina Baltrunaite completed medical school in June 2021. Her goal is to work as an orthopedic surgeon. In order for her to do this she requires the completion of a postgraduate medical training position “residency” in orthopedic surgery. Justina and I both trained at the University of Limerick in Ireland. As such we are considered International Medical Graduates. At present there are only 5- 6 orthopedic surgery training positions that are open

for doctors who did not attend medical school in Canada. All of these training post are currently in Ontario. UBC does offer training in orthopedic surgery however at present there are zero positions that only international medical graduates are eligible to apply for.

What we would like to propose is that town of Williams Lake, The Cariboo Regional Hospital District Board, and Interior Health, lobby UBC to create an orthopedic surgery residency training position for Dr. Justina Baltrunaite to complete a full term orthopedic surgery residency program, such that she would come back to Williams Lake post residency. This would effectively be Cariboo Memorial Hospital's orthopedic Surgeon in training. If the afore mentioned groups are successful in creating an orthopedic training position for Dr. Justina Baltrunaite we would settle in Williams Lake and spend both our careers working here.

At present I am currently working in the Atwood clinic on a 2-year return of service contract. I work in the clinic 3 to 4 days a week, in the ER, and will be joining the hospitalist call group in the summer. Both myself and my wife (Dr. Justina Baltrunaite) love Williams Lake and would like to settle and spend our career's here. The only way that this becomes possible is if she obtains an orthopedic residency training post at UBC.

If the town of Williams Lake and Cariboo Memorial Hospital board are successful in creating/securing a residency training post in Orthopedic surgery for Dr. Baltunaite it secures both an orthopedic surgeon and general practitioner for their careers.

Regards

Dr. Philip Green and Dr. Justina Baltrunaite