

Involvement of Learners During Your Care

Thank-you for including learners as part of the Apple Tree Maternity team.

What type of learners are there at Apple Tree?

Our collaborative practice of midwives and physicians provides a unique opportunity for care providers interested in maternity care. Our clinic regularly supports students from the UBC Midwifery Program as well as the Kootenay Boundary Family Practice Residents, who are already physicians and are in their final aspects of training. Occasionally other students such as Medical Students, Nursing students and Nurse Practitioner students are present.

What Benefits does involving learners offer?

Involvement can include more care and the opportunity to learn along side learners about aspects of your care. There is often the luxury of additional one-on-one time with the care team. It is also an opportunity to contribute a meaningful experience to build the next generation of midwives, physicians and nurses.

What is the role of the care provider?

The care provider is always there for the clients and learners, if occasionally not physically present. If there are any questions or concerns that arise, a care provider is immediately available to connect with and discuss. Residents and students increasingly work independently in the clinic, and are closely supervised in all settings (office, home and hospital).

What if I don't feel comfortable having a learner involved in my care?

The students and residents that work with Apple Tree are valued members of our care team. You are the ultimate decision-maker regarding your care. If you feel uncomfortable or uncertain regarding any aspect of your care, including the involvement of learners, please discuss it with a care provider. You can change your mind at any time during your care if your attitudes or beliefs change