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## RVH docs recognized by Ontario College of Family Physicians

Three caring and dedicated physicians from Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) were recognized by the Ontario College of Family Physicians (OCFP). Drs. Brent Elsey, Kerstin Mossman and Anwar Parbtani each received the Award of Excellence from OCFP. The Award of Excellence recognizes outstanding contributions in a specific area pertaining to the specialty of family medicine.

As family physicians, Drs. Elsey, Mossman and Parbtani play a vital role in RVH's successful Family Medicine Teaching Unit (FMTU). Now in its sixth year, the FMTU program, a partnership between the University of Toronto (U of T) and RVH, is one of the most sought after medical residency programs in the province. The program, which received top marks recently through a University of Toronto accreditation process, is due in no small part to the hard work by all staff in the Family Medicine Teaching Unit and the fine-calibre of residents coming to RVH to learn.

"The success of the FMTU, which is one of the most sought after residencies in the country, can be attributed directly to the devoted faculty members who clearly work, in addition to their existing duties, to ensure these residents are balanced and knowledgeable family doctors when they begin practicing upon completion of the program," says Janice Skot, RVH president and CEO. "Out of the more than 10,500 family physicians registered with OCFP, we are so pleased to see three RVH physicians recognized. It speaks highly to the dedication and commitment our physicians have to delivering the best possible patient care."

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**Cutline:** *Three physicians from Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) were recognized with the Ontario College of Family Physicians Award of Excellence during a ceremony in November for their outstanding contributions to family medicine. From left: Dr. Brent Elsey, Dr. Kerstin Mossman and Dr. Anwar Parbtani.*

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### **About RVH:**

RVH is a regional health centre in Barrie, Ontario, located 80 kilometres north of Toronto. As the largest hospital in the region of Simcoe Muskoka, RVH's team of over 350 physicians, 2,500 employees and 850 volunteers provides exceptional care and specialty services to almost half a million residents, including cancer care, stroke services, orthopedics, intensive care, mental health and interventional radiology. RVH is focused on delivering safe, high quality care that puts patients and their families first. For more information visit [www.rvh.on.ca](http://www.rvh.on.ca)

### **About the OCFP:**

The OCFP the provincial chapter of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and is the voice of family medicine representing 10,500+ family physicians who provide patient care across communities throughout the province. Our mandate is to support members by providing evidence-based education and professional development, by promoting and recognizing leadership excellence in family medicine, and by advocating for the role family physicians play in delivering the highest quality care to patients and families across Ontario.

The OCFP's annual Honours and Awards program celebrates the outstanding skill, knowledge and dedication of family doctors across Ontario. Awards celebrate excellence in community and medical leadership, outstanding contributions in teaching and exceptional teamwork. Please see the accompanying backgrounder for more information about the individual awards. The awards were presented at a ceremony on Nov. 12 in Toronto.