Funding Guidelines

All applications for the Priority Placement for Postgraduate Visiting Rural Electives pilot program must be submitted through the Northern Electives Page here. Note that placements are not guaranteed but that every effort will be made to connect postgrad learners with a similar community if the community of interest does not have capacity.

Applications are open to Visiting Residents currently registered in a Family Medicine Program within Canada and excludes NOSM University residents.

The application period is from August 1, 2022 to October 31, 2022, or until all funds are allocated, with the placement period occurring until June 30, 2023. Note that funding is limited, thus not all applicants are guaranteed funding.

Applicants complete a minimum of 4 weeks in a rural northern Ontario community. This excludes North Bay, Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury, Thunder Bay, and Timmins.

Applicants are eligible to receive up to $1000 per application for actual expenses for application fee, accommodation in the host community and transportation. Residents are responsible for other costs such as food and internet charges.

Funding will be applied in the following manner:

- $200 application fee waiver;
- NOSM University housing fee waiver ($200/week to a maximum of 4 weeks) if NOSM University housing is required and available;
- Should there be outstanding funds after the above allocations, the balance may be used to offset the cost of travel to and from the elective placement.

Note: NOSM University reimbursement rate is $0.42 per kilometer, in line with the Kilometer Matrix; residents must travel in most economical and reasonable manner; long distance and air fare options are to be approved by the Manager, Community Services, prior to booking.

Travel related expenses are to be submitted no later than 3 months following placement completion end date or the claim will be rejected and cancelled.

Please direct all questions to electives@nosm.ca

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