

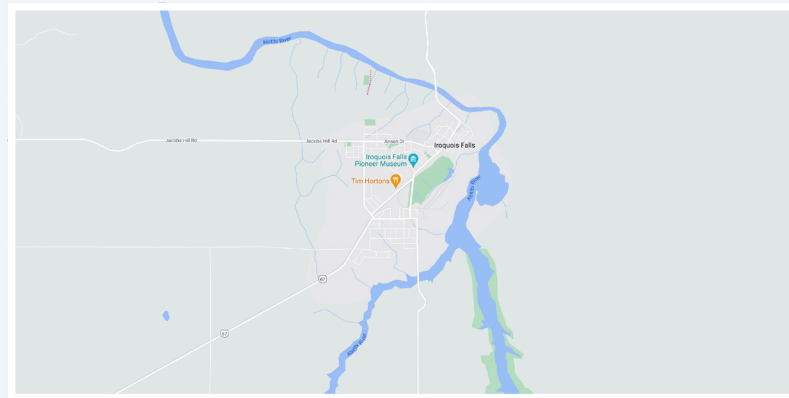
## OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY

**COMMUNITY NAME** Iroquois Falls

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**MUNICIPAL WEBSITE** [www.iroquoisfalls.com](http://www.iroquoisfalls.com)

**MAP WITH LOCATION**



### FIRST NATION COMMUNITIES SERVED BY CLINICIANS

- Wahgoshig First Nation (Matheson)
- Taykwa Tagamou First Nation (Cochrane)

Both locations are situated in neighboring communities but can be serviced by a locum from any community.

## COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

### POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Population of 4,537 at the 2016 census

The average age of the population of Iroquois Falls is 45.5 years. Over 55% of the population is bilingual (French and English), which is much higher than the Ontario average. In 2016, Iroquois Falls had an older population compared to the provincial average.

Iroquois Falls has a significantly higher percentage of persons with apprenticeships, trades certificates or diplomas than the provincial average.

More demographic information can be found [here](#).



## AMENITIES

There's plenty to do in Iroquois Falls. Check out the golf course or go bowling. There's a swimming pool, and arena in town too! You might even enjoy a scenic walk across Trestle bridge.

Please visit the following link for access to the [Town of Iroquois Falls Welcome Package!](#) This booklet (created in 2019) provides a clear and concise synopsis of all major amenities, schools, recreation/entertainment opportunities, local business, and much more!

## TRAVEL OPTIONS

### Transportation Facilities

#### Highways:

Major arterial highways serving the region –

- The Trans-Canada Highway 11 runs north-south and links Iroquois Falls north to Cochrane and south to Kirkland Lake.
- Municipal Road runs west-east and links Iroquois Falls west to Highway 11 east to Highways 577 & 578.
- The nearest four lane highway is Highway 400 near Perry Sound. It is approximately 478km from Iroquois Falls and runs northwest to southeast into Toronto.

#### Rail

Iroquois Falls is well served with rail. Rail is available directly to the core of the community; essential for providing accessibility to North American markets. The rail runs along the Trans Canada Highway 11 corridor and along the Municipal Road to Iroquois Falls. Ontario Northland operates 7 days per week; however, Ontario Northland is primarily engaged in providing rail freight services for the transportation of mineral and forest products, petroleum and other products to and from northeastern Ontario.

#### Airports:

##### Iroquois Falls Municipal Airport

Iroquois Falls Municipal Airport is a year-round operation with no scheduled services. The airport has three runways with fully lit 4000-foot paved landing strips, two gravel cross landing strips and one terminal building. The paved landing strip is maintained and open year-round. The current users of the Iroquois Falls Municipal Airport include medical transfer, private users and local air cadets/flying club.

##### Timmins Victor M. Power Airport (Domestic Airport)

Timmins Airport is one of the largest airports in Northern Ontario. The Airport is a convenient gateway to Toronto and northern communities. The Airport serves as an administration and maintenance centre for Air Creebec; a base for reactional, business, and private operators. The Timmins Airport also serves as an emergency medical transportation hub.



## Airlines for Servicing Timmins Airport:

- Air Canada
- Air Crebeec Inc.
- Bearskin Airline
- Porter Airlines

## Bus

- Ontario Northland – Iroquois Falls Chamber of Commerce Bus Depot
- Greyhound Lines Canada

## HOUSING/ACCOMMODATION

The living and average housing costs in Iroquois Falls are significantly lower than the Ontario average. In 2017, the average value of a home in Ontario was \$684,176, compared to \$190,080 in Iroquois Falls– less than 72.2%!

Please visit the following link to Iroquois Falls Realtor.ca:

<https://www.realtor.ca/on/iroquois-falls/real-estate>

MICS Group of Health Services has several owned and maintained properties for the occupancy of locum physicians, as well as future full-time physicians. As part of their Recruitment Incentive package, MICS Group of Health Services offers subsidized housing of \$1000 per month for 24 months!

## SPOUSAL EMPLOYMENT

In 2017, 29% of workers living in Iroquois Falls had a usual place of work outside of Iroquois Falls. The majority of Iroquois Falls residents who work outside of the community commute to work in Timmins.

The most common occupations for the Iroquois Falls labour force include (but not limited to); management occupations, business, finance and administration occupations, natural & applied sciences and related occupations, health occupations, education, social and community services, recreation and sport-related occupations, sales and service occupations, trades and equipment operators, natural resources and agriculture, and manufacturing occupations.

## CLINICAL SERVICES

### CATCHMENT AREA AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Iroquois Falls has a Family Health Team and a local hospital, Anson General. MICS Group of Health Services is the governing body for the regional hospitals and their associate long-term care facilities located in the Northern Ontario communities of Matheson, Iroquois Falls, and Cochrane (MIC).



Together, MIC communities offer comprehensive health care services. As Iroquois Falls is central to the Township of Black River-Matheson (South) and Cochrane (North), the community offers health services (if needed) to this catchment area with an all-encompassing population of approximately 13,000 resident.

### **HOSPITAL DESCRIPTION / SERVICES**

Anson General Hospital is an acute general hospital which provides a wide range of inpatient, chronic care, emergency, out-patient, ambulatory care and long-term care services. Currently the hospital is designated as having 19 Acute, 15 Complex Continuing Care and 69 Long-Term Care beds. Four of the active care beds are single rooms which are used as swing beds for acutely ill, palliative, or long-term rehabilitation patients. Services include Emergency, Laboratory, Diagnostic imaging, Clinical Nutrition, Diabetes Program, Physiotherapy, Respiratory Therapy, Visiting Specialty Clinics, Complex Continuing Care and Telemedicine.

Please visit the following link to visit the hospital website:

<https://www.micsgroup.com/about-mics/anson-general-hospital/>

### **PRIMARY CARE MODEL / CLINIC SETUP / ALLIED HEALTH SUPPORT**

The Iroquois Falls Family Health Team (IFFHT) is conveniently and strategically located on the Anson General Hospital property, thereby offering easy access to hospital supports such as x-ray, laboratory, and physiotherapy. The Iroquois Falls Family Health Team has a great office equipped with spacious physician offices and examination rooms, as well as a full complement of interdisciplinary professionals (3 Family Physicians, NP's, RPN's, RN's, RD, ED, etc.) and clerical staff. IFFHT physicians belong to a FHO (Family Health Organization), which is a capitation model (compensation). IFFHT offers programs and services such as Women's Wellness Clinic, The Optifast Medical Weight Management Program, Mindfulness-based Chronic Pain Management, Well Baby Clinics, Diabetes Wellness Clinics, Nutrition Counselling, Pain Management Clinics, Mobility Clinics, and CAMH Telepsychiatry.

Please visit the following link to visit IFFHT's website: <https://www.iffht.com>

### **OTHER CLINICAL VENUES AND SERVICES**

#### **South Centennial Manor**

South Centennial Manor is a 69-bed accredited Long Term Care Facility operated by MICS Group of Health Services. South Centennial Manor has been approved for an expansion to a 96-bed facility. The manor operates at 100% occupancy and serve the district/catchment area. Services include Nursing and Personal care, Assistance with Activities of Daily Living, Treatment and Medication Administration, Special Diets, Laundry Services, Room and Board, Social/Recreational Programs, Physician Services, On-site Therapy Services and Foot Care!

## The Porcupine Health Unit

The Porcupine Health Unit (PHU) offers programs and services by a wide variety of skilled and caring health professionals which include vaccinations, dental program for children, speech, nutrition, food safety, septic application and inspection, tobacco program, travel health, sexual health, injury prevention, health inspection, genetics, family health program, i.e. Parenting, Pre-natal, Growing Healthy Families.

## SUPPORTS AND EXPECTATIONS FOR LOCUMS OR LEARNERS COMING TO THE COMMUNITY

### TEACHING

MICS Group of Health Services (including Iroquois Falls) welcome NOSM University medical students to undertake their 108/110 ICE placements. We also welcome elective students and residents to come and train with us in broad scope rural family medicine and general practice anesthesia.

MICS Group of Health Services are planning to become a NOSM University clinical clerkship site and build an exciting and crucial educational infrastructure. This will lead to an enrichment of our health services through education, fostering a “learning community”. This will enable us to ‘grow our own’ future health professionals.

### LIVING: HOUSING AND ACCOMMODATIONS

MICS Group of Health Services and the Iroquois Falls Family Health Team offer free housing for 24 months as part of their Recruitment Incentive Package for full-time physicians!

Additionally, a secondary option of subsidized housing also exists– this provides physicians with the luxury of choosing their own home, and having the mortgage subsidized for 2 full years!

Locums and learners will be provided with their own accommodations. MICS Group of Health services owns and operates several properties for the accommodation of locums and medical learners. If a home is not available, one will be rented for you.

### TRANSPORTATION

As the Timmins Victor M. Power Airport is the nearest domestic airport, highway transportation is needed and therefore a vehicle is required. For assistance in renting a car for locum opportunities, please contact Sylvie Lavoie-Girard, MICS HR Director at [sylvie.girard@micsgroup.com](mailto:sylvie.girard@micsgroup.com)



## FOOD OPTIONS

Although Iroquois Falls is a small Northern town, it certainly does not fall short on dining options and great food! Options include:

- The Imperial Restaurant (146 Main St, 705-232-666)
- Olindo's Pizza (141 Mian St, 705-232-4060)
- Silver Grill (189 Ambridge Dr, 705-232-4220)
- MiLou's Bistro (338 Main St, 705-232-5121)
- The Wye (249 Cambridge Ave, 705-258-3735)
- Subway (188 Cambridge Ave, 705-258-2430)
- Tim Hortons (292 Cambridge Ave, 705-232-4366)

Residents of Iroquois Falls also have their choice in grocery stores:

- Foodland (171 Ambridge Dr, 705-232-4071)
- Seguin's Valu-Mart (320 Main St, 705-232-5153)

## COLLEGIAL SUPPORTS

Iroquois Falls, Matheson and Cochrane physicians form a local educational group (LEG) with NOSM University and all physicians are encouraged to become faculty with NOSM University.

We host professional "educational days" as part of our continuing medical education twice a year, which is well attended by many professionals in the community.

We participate, undertake research locally, and are currently participating in studies in dementia, chronic pain and community engaged recruitment and retention, with NOSM University as our research partner. These projects afford us the ability to hire local students as research assistants in the summer months introducing them to health sciences careers.

## COMMUNITY CONTACT INFORMATION

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Please contact Abbigail for access to Iroquois Falls complete and comprehensive recruitment information package, including practice descriptions, remuneration, incentives, recreational opportunities and much more!



## PICTURES OF CLINIC AND HOSPITAL

