



SEA COVE MEDICAL CLINIC

Family Physicians

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Dear Patients,

After practicing in the Comox Valley for over 30 years, I am retiring from my practice at Sea Cove Medical Clinic in May 2026. I am excited to have Dr. Thane Smith take over my practice. I have had such a rewarding and enjoyable career and thank you for sharing your health concerns and stories with me. All of you, my patients, have enriched my life immeasurably and I am grateful for your trust in me. I thank my colleagues at Sea Cove Medical Clinic, especially Dr. Danielle Cherniak who has shared my workload, allowing me to work for longer than I intended!

Dr. Smith attended medical school at the University of Calgary and completed residency training through the Northern Ontario School of Medicine in Timmins, Ontario. He has been working in Victoria since 2021.

I have asked Dr. Smith to share some words:

“I’d like to introduce myself; I am Dr. Thane Smith, and I will have the privilege of being your new Family Physician as Dr. Ostry retires. I will be moving from Victoria with my wife and our baby daughter as we look to set down roots in the Comox Valley. I have a strong passion for all things Primary Care, with a particular interest in Mental Health and Preventative Care. I strive for Patient Centered Care, which means I always try my best to do my best to support you through your medical journey. I thoroughly enjoy teaching patients about their medical conditions and will always welcome your questions. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you.”

Dr. Smith shares my interest in the family aspect of family medicine and will have increased availability for all your medical concerns. Dr. Cherniak will continue to follow a portion of our shared practice as well. I welcome Dr. Smith to our Sea Cove family! Remember that Sea Cove Medical Clinic will be your home clinic, and I ask for your patience as we adjust to these changes. Thank you for all the fond memories and I wish you all continued health and happiness in the future.

Sincerely,

Dr. Carol Ostry