

Inventory of Family Physicians in PELA Counties

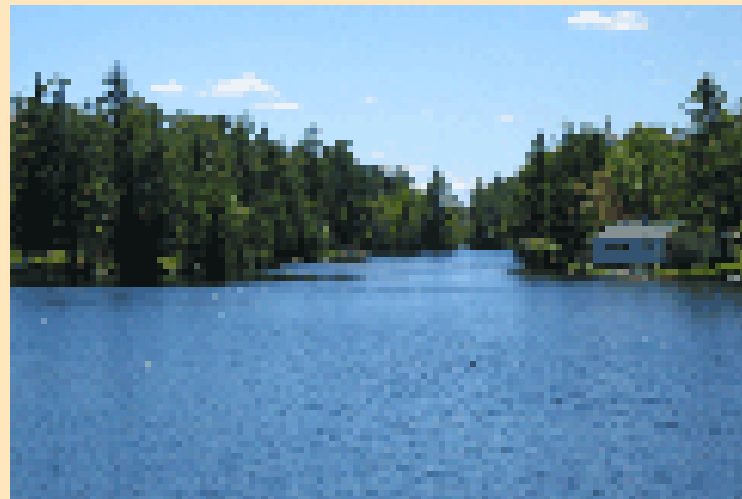


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- **5 million Canadians without an FP**
- **87% of Canadians have an FP**
- **Family physicians handle 80% or problems themselves; entry to system**
- **Family physicians have roles other than primary care (ER, anesthesia, in-patients)**
- **Physicians as knowledge workers**



Northbrook health centre



Picton Family Health Team



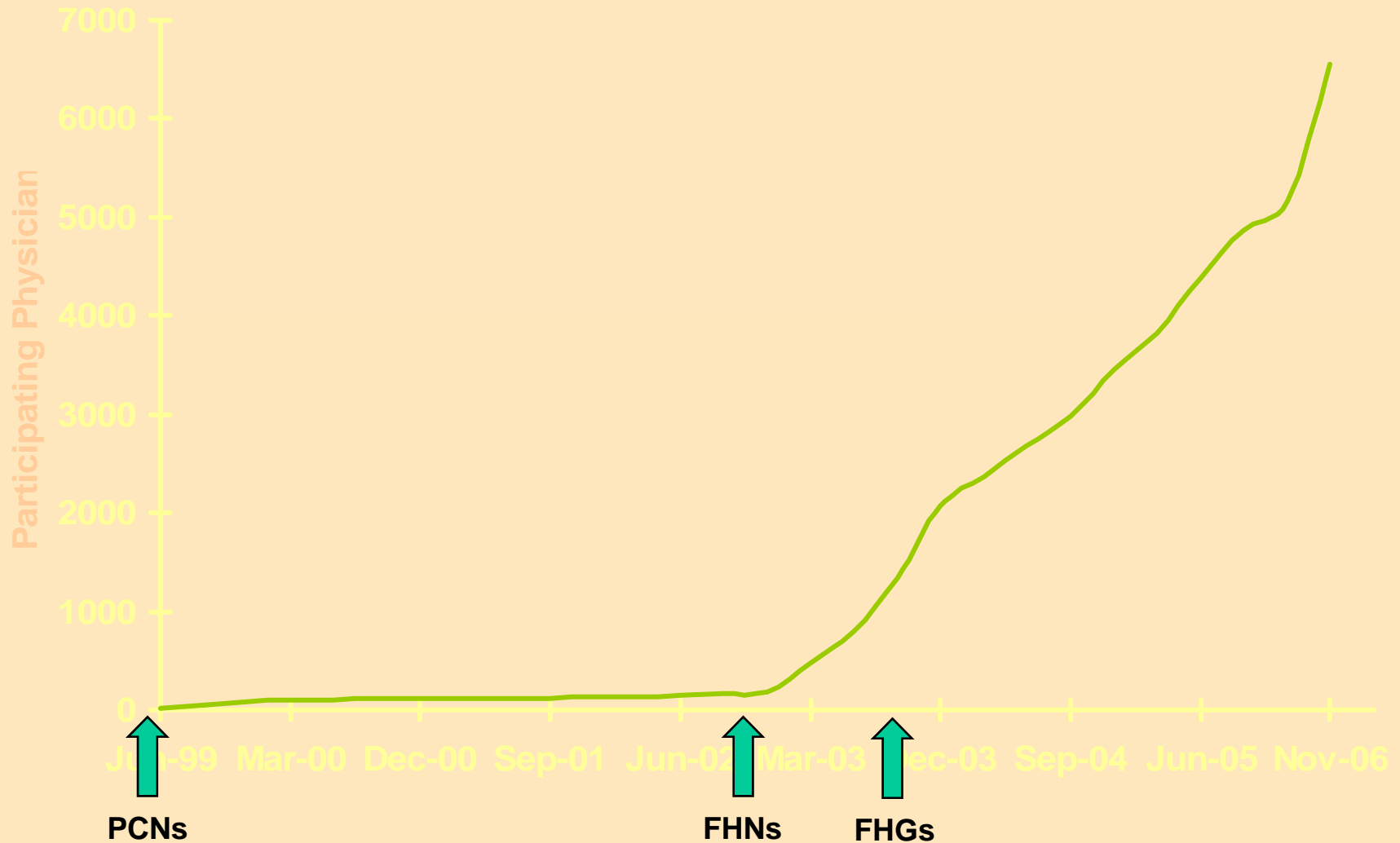
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Physicians in Primary Care Renewal Models



Inventory Project



- **Difficult to accurately count physicians**
- **Several databases, none reliable**
- **Physicians are self-employed; change practice patterns as they choose**
- **Need an accurate database to understand supply issues, inform recruitment strategies**

- **PELA counties postal codes**
- **Ontario Physician Human Resource Data Centre numbers**
- **College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (individual physician listings)**
- **Master database (Jijesh Devan)**
- **Consult with local physicians to refine**

Results



- **CPSO 79 listings**
- **CPSO 71 individual MDs**
- **OPHRDC 59 individual FPs/76 MDs (2006)**
- **Our database: 43 FPs in total**

Results



- **34 full time family physicians**
- **6 FPs doing family medicine plus ER or anaesthesia**
- **3 part-time FPs**
- **9 retired**
- **4 other specialists**
- **8 not practising in area, licence maintained**
- **2 psychotherapy; 5 FT ER**

Conclusion



- **A moving target**
- **Small active rural hospitals important for recruiting**
- **FHT in Picton major draw**
- **Supporting new models of care best recruiting strategy**
- **PELA well-poised to attract physicians**