

Elgin County Midwives

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Elgin County Midwives is looking for a General Registrant to start as soon as possible. We are an experienced group of midwives who are eager to expand our team in the Elgin area. We have a partnership pathway to ensure job stability and we offer equal pay for your planned BCCs over 12 months to ensure more financial stability month to month.

Our team of six dedicated midwives (3 on leave until Fall/winter 2025) are based in Elgin County, with our office located in St. Thomas, Ontario. We hold active privileges at St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital (Level 2), offering full scope services including epidurals and oxytocin. While experience with these aspects is beneficial, we are committed to mentoring midwives as needed who may not have this experience. Our strong relationships with OBs, nursing staff, and pediatricians create a supportive environment. We also have a dedicated Midwifery department within the hospital and are actively involved in decisions affecting our L&D department. Located just 20 minutes from London Health Sciences Centre (a tertiary care center), we can support higher-risk clients requiring advanced care.

In Elgin County, our midwives deliver 20% of local babies and benefit from robust community support and integration. We currently provide primary care with 8-12 weeks of vacation based on the requested caseload, but we are open to adjusting our care model to meet the teams needs and have also had shared care models work well for some midwives. We prioritize healthy work-life balance, offering flexible caseloads, and we try to accommodate vacation requests to ensure happy midwives! Typically, we hold one clinic day per week and are open to evolving our practice with new research and ideas. Our practice benefits from full-time administrative support, including a skilled administrator with over 15 years in midwifery administration. We use Accuro EMR and Oceans for referrals. We use the Unite paging system.

Our catchment area covers all of Elgin County, serving a diverse clientele including Amish, Low German Mennonite, and newcomers to Canada. With growing community demand, our waitlists

average 30-50 per month making midwifery services here a HUGE demand of our community. Our homebirth rates vary between 10-20% at any given time. St. Thomas offers a charming setting in Southwestern Ontario with affordable housing and a growing population of young families. Options for both country and beach living are available, with Port Stanley providing beachfront options. London, just a 20-minute drive away, offers urban amenities, while St. Thomas itself features a vibrant small business community. Some of our midwives choose to live in London or St Thomas, while others choose a more rural option.

We are a close-knit team that values collaboration, humor, and high-quality, evidence-based care. If you think you'd be a great fit, please send your CV to admin@elgincountymidwives.com. We will reach out if we'd like to arrange an interview.