

Dr. Merrilee Fullerton, M.D.

Mother / Medical Professional / Health Advocate

Personal

Lifetime resident of Kanata (since 1967); raised on Kingsford Court and now in Kanata Lakes
Graduate of Earl of March High School and University of Ottawa Medical School
Married for 30 years to Steve Kaminski; Carp-raised, Ottawa-based entrepreneur
Proud Mother of three young adults

Professional

1988-1996: Part-time Family Physician in Carleton Place, providing Comprehensive Primary Care as well as Urgent and Long-Term Care
1988-1996: Locum tenens part-time positions including rural, urban and suburban settings
1997-2014: Family Physician in team setting at Med-Team Clinic in Kanata

Professional Activities (selected)

2006-present: active media commentator / blog *Dr. Merrilee Fullerton on Healthcare*. Topics include mhealth, sustainability, empowering patients in their own care, health policy, and scientific advancements incl. epigenetics, genomics, the microbiome and pharmacogenomics.
2011-2015: City of Ottawa Board of Health, Resident Member
2012-2013: District 8 Chair, Ontario Medical Association
2008-2013: Champlain Local Health Integration Network Health Professionals Advisory Committee member (LHIN HPAC) (*volunteer position*)
2008, 2010, 2011, 2013 : Delegate to Canadian Medical Association General Council and member of Ontario Medical Association CMA Council Working Group
2009-2010: President of the Academy of Medicine Ottawa
2009-2010: Ottawa Hospital Community Advisory Committee member (*volunteer position*)
2007: Member at Large, Section on General and Family Practice, Ontario Medical Association
2005-2006: Member at Large, Academy of Medicine Ottawa

Volunteer

The Ottawa Hospital Foundation – active supporter for the past 21 years
Kanata sports teams – hockey and soccer mom as equipment manager, teams' activities, etc.
Ottawa Board of Health medical response team providing vaccinations during H1N1 outbreak
Academy of Medicine Ottawa's annual fundraising golf tournament

Interests

Monitoring of local and universal health care issues, sports family (recovering), golf, avid reader