

Hi, my name is Amy Abbott and I am so very excited to be joining the team at Fairview Mennonite Home as the Director of Care.

Despite this being a new journey for me as one of the newest members to join the Fairview community, it by no means is a new environment for me. Fairview has been a part of my entire life as many of my family members including my great grandfather, grandfather, grandmother, aunt and mother were all staff at Fairview Mennonite home and now I am so very proud to be following in their footsteps.

Now, a little be about me. I actually was born and raised in Preston and lived there for the first 30 years of my life before moving to Orangeville, Ontario when I pursued my nursing career at Headwaters Health Care Centre working in both the emergency and surgery departments. I then transitioned to LTC settings working at both Dufferin Oaks LTC and spent some time as the Retirement Home Manager at Shelburne Residence. Most recently, I have been working with the Central West Local Health Integration Network as the Palliative Care Manager for the Dufferin, Caledon and Bolton regions supporting primarily patient's who wish to have their end of life journey at home within the community.

Since moving to Orangeville ten years ago with my husband, we have also started a family and are raising two girls ages seven and nine and are often running off to some sporting events with them as they have a strong love for hockey, soccer and Acro dance. I also enjoy spending time with family, reading a good book and playing with my giant but lovable St Bernard dog Princess.

Once COVID-19 hit Ontario and unfortunately greatly impacted Dufferin in the beginning, I volunteered to be redeployed to Shelburne Residence LTC to support on the floors in any way I could which included direct care to residents, doing laundry, serving meals, cleaning, calling families and any other tasks that supported residents needs and also have supported local pop up COVID-19 swabbing sites throughout the community.

As I begin this new chapter, I look forward to working along side each and every one of you, and feel thrilled to nourish my passion to serve and work at Fairview Mennonite Home.

Best Regards,

Amy Abbott.