

The Yukon has rheumatology services provided by a visiting rheumatologist, Dr. B. Daniel McLeod and rheumatology nurse, Ms. Lee Ash. Previously Dr. Graham Reid was the visiting rheumatologist. He negotiated the addition of the rheumatology nurse to the clinics. This has been extremely valuable and I would say indispensable.

The clinics are held in the visiting specialist clinic area in the Whitehorse General Hospital guided by the Outpatient services office manager, Jason Durand.

Mrs. Mary Gottshall provides us with clerical support. Clinics are scheduled every two months.

Additional support clinically is provided through referrals to rheumatologists in British Columbia and Alberta, because we are unable to meet the demand. A visiting consultant internist, Dr Kevin McLeod, also helps with decompressing the demand for rheumatology services. There are visiting specialist clinics in physiatry, orthopedics, dermatology, gastroenterology, neurology and nephrology. Access to echocardiography locally is very limited. Pulmonary function testing and bone densitometry are not available in the territory and patients need to be referred out for these services

*-Dr. B. Daniel McLeod*



Dr. B. Daniel McLeod and rheumatology nurse, Lee Ash, are pictured in front of Whitehorse General Hospital.