

Cathrine Ebbing
Overlege, PhD
Seksjon for fostermedisin
Kvinneklinikken
Haukeland universitetssykehus
5021 Bergen, Norge

Bergen 25.03.2015

Short report (NF 14021)
NFOG Board
NFOG treasurer
NFOG Scientific Committee

Clinical observer ship, Fetal Echocardiography, Labatt Family Heart Centre at the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
02.03-20.03.2015

I want to thank NFOG for the grant to cover expenses to visit the Heart Centre at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, Canada where I was an observer at pediatric and fetal cardiology department.

My clinical visit was very useful for me.

I was taught fetal cardiac examination by pediatric cardiologists, attended educational meetings, and interdisciplinary meetings, and got to observe their organization, their collaboration with Mt. Sinai (a large maternity and fetal medical ward in the hospital across the street) and care for families expecting children with heart defects.

The friendly and very competent staff of pediatric cardiologists, radiologists, ultrasonographers and special nurses welcomed me and included me in the discussions during my stay. I could on a daily basis observe relatively rare heart defects, and observe their segmental systematic approach to diagnosis, and their thoughts on monitoring, information to parents and interdisciplinary collaboration.

I am grateful to Edgar Jaeggi, head of department, for letting me be an observer in his department.

Sincerely,

Cathrine Ebbing