

A Guide to the

Dr. Clifton Joy *fonds*

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Title: Dr. Clifton Joy *fonds*
Dates: 1970s to 1980s
Extent: 1 cm textual records (patient records)

Biographical sketch:

Clifton Joy (1922-1994), physician and politician, was born in Port au Port, Newfoundland and Labrador in 1922. He was the son of Elizabeth (Dubourdieu) and John Lawrence Joy. Dr. Clifton Joy married Flora Louise Pike and they had four children. His son, Robert became an actor.

Dr. Joy's early schooling took place in his hometown of Port au Port. He also attended St. Bonaventure's College, St. John's, St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec and Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Dr. Joy practiced medicine at St. George's, Newfoundland and Labrador from 1949 to 1951. He pursued post-graduate studies after his time in St. George's. From 1954 to 1972, Dr. Joy worked as a pediatrician in St. John's. It was the dedication of Dr. Clifton Joy to the health of the children of Newfoundland and Labrador that led to the Janeway Children's Hospital. In 1957, Dr. Joy was commissioned to report on children's healthcare in the province. His findings highlighted the need for a children's hospital and he became a member of the House of Assembly (1962-1966) to continue lobbying for just that. He and colleague, Dr. John Collins spearheaded the successful campaign that led to the opening of the Janeway Children's Hospital in 1966. Dr. Joy was acting chief of staff for the Janeway from 1966 to 1968.

Dr. Joy began practicing pediatrics in Niagara Falls, Ontario in 1972. He remained here for several years before returning to St. John's in 1979.

The Janeway Children's Hospital was named after Dr. Charles Janeway, a prominent mentor of Dr. Clifton Joy's at Harvard University who endorsed and provided advice on the project. In Newfoundland and Labrador, Dr. Joy is regarded as the founder of the Janeway. It was through his dedication and passion for children's health that the Janeway became a reality.

Dr. Joy was a member of the Newfoundland House of Assembly from 1962 to 1966, representing the Harbour Main district. During this time in the House of Assembly, Dr. Joy was a part-time consultant for the Newfoundland Department of Health.

Dr. Clifton Joy passed away in 1994.

Custodial history:

The medical records of Dr. Clifton Joy were held in his custody until their donation to the Faculty of Medicine Founders' Archive in 2005.

Scope and content:

Fonds consist of patient records relating to the medical career of Dr. Clifton Joy.

Source of title:

Title based on the contents of the *fonds*.

Acquisition:

The records of Dr. Clifton Joy were donated to the Faculty of Medicine Founders' Archive in 2005.

Arrangement:

Materials are arranged into one series consisting of patient records. *Fonds* is arranged in the following series:

1.0 Patient Records ***Contains Restricted Material (Entire series is Restricted)**

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Accruals:

Further accruals are not expected.

Location:

COLL-031, Faculty of Medicine Founders' Archive

Finding Aid:

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Series and sub-series list: