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## Michael J. Corrigan Practice Swanton, VT

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### The Practice

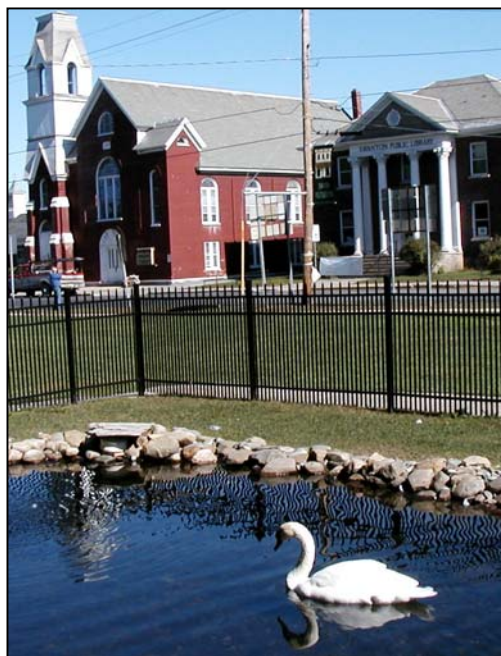
Dr. Michael Corrigan's 20-year old family practice is located in the middle of Swanton, overlooking the village green. The office is open Monday - Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The practice includes 4 examination rooms, and a lab area. Dr. Corrigan, a graduate of the UVM College of Medicine, sees patients with a range of ages, from newborns to the elderly.



### The Community

[Swanton, Vermont](#) is located 38 miles north of Burlington and six miles south of the Canadian border on Route 7. Swanton has a population of approximately 6,000 residents and is home to the Royal Swans, housed in a new "swan house" and pond on the village green. The swans were a gift from Queen Elizabeth II for the town's bicentennial.

Swanton is a rural but self-sufficient community with several restaurants, a public library, Catholic, Episcopal and Methodist churches, a drug store and a grocery store. The population in and around Swanton swells during the summer months as seasonal residents and tourists return to spend the summer at camps on Lake Champlain.



## Hospital Affiliation

Dr. Corrigan is affiliated with the [Northwestern Medical Center](#), a 70-bed, not-for-profit, primary care hospital located on Fairfield Street in St. Albans. The hospital is nine miles South of Swanton (Exit 19 on I-89). NMC is a high-tech facility that works hard to preserve the "family feel" of a rural hospital.



## Staff

The office staff consists of Dr. Corrigan, one physician assistant, one nurse practitioner, and three other clinical and administrative staff members. Dr. Corrigan is a native of St. Albans and although the practice is very busy, he still makes house calls.



## Typical Day

A typical day starts at the Northwestern Medical Center with morning rounds and scheduled procedures. After that, it's off to the office in Swanton to start office hours, which usually run from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with a break for lunch. Depending upon the experience and year of training, the student may observe, take histories, or do basic exams. Dr. Corrigan always allows enough time for discussion between patients and again at the end of the day. The student may also accompany Dr. Corrigan on nursing home visits and/or house calls to elderly patients who are housebound.

## Teaching Goals

Dr. Corrigan strives to expose students to all aspects of family medicine, including clinical situations, to stimulate independent reading and research. He feels it is important for students to experience the true rural flavor of Swanton and hopes that student will get the maximum exposure possible to all aspects of clinical practice.

## Special Medical Interests

Dr. Corrigan is especially interested in cardiology.

## **Other Interests**

Dr. Corrigan enjoys hiking, hunting, camping, astronomy, fishing, gardening, and distance running.

## **Student Housing**

Typically, housing is not needed for this practice site. If a student has a hardship or just wants to spend time in a rural community, housing can be arranged by calling Champlain Valley AHEC at (802) 527-1474.