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Overview of BC Renal–funded Fellowships

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Overview

BC Renal offers a number of fellowships as part of our mandate to facilitate training and mentoring of clinicians and researchers and to encourage local, national and international collaboration. These fellowships are offered for 1-2 year periods and provide both enhanced clinical and health systems training. The fellowships place an emphasis on understanding the BC Renal network structure, partnerships and utilization of PROMIS, the information system for renal and transplant care in BC.

BC Renal and the UBC Division of Nephrology Fellowship Program oversee the application and onboarding process of successful applicants. Fellows are supervised by BC Renal and UBC Division of Nephrology affiliated members as applicable.

The fellow is expected to take on a range of activities to gain exposure to the renal network and is accountable for a number of deliverables. The fellow and reporting supervisor also identify a fellowship project based on BC Renal priorities, as well as the fellow's interests wherever possible.

The table below summarizes each fellowship's eligibility requirements and expected deliverables. For more details, please refer to the [BC Renal website](#).

Fellowships	Eligibility		Deliverables	Additional Fellowship-specific Deliverables
		Additional Fellowship-specific Eligibility		
Administrative & Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 24 months of training in an accredited nephrology program. Graduated from medical school within 10 years of starting the fellowship. Practicing nephrologist meeting the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC English Language Requirement for Registration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum score of 7 in each component. Test Report Form (TFR) is valid for a period of two years from date taken. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Also open to allied health providers who have completed an accredited training in nephrology related discipline programs (e.g. pharmacy, nutrition, social work, nursing). Completion of a Master's or PhD in relevant field, or equivalent; or intention to enrol in courses. If already holding these higher degrees, then this fellowship would be considered a Postdoctoral (for PhD). Preference given to those who completed research training with a proven record of scholarly academic research achievement and peer-reviewed publications. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify opportunities to develop research or quality improvement/teaching project with the supervisor. Outputs from the project include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an abstract and poster and then present at BC Kidney Days, BC Renal's biannual conference (if applicable). Present the project at a public venue at least once per year. The presentation can be at the BC Renal/UBC Province-wide Rounds, hospital academic rounds, biopsy rounds, or UBC Division of Nephrology Research Day. Contribute an article to the BC Renal newsletter, Renal News Express, or Research in Focus Newsletter. If applicable, attend and participate at BC Kidney Days, BC Renal's biannual conference, at some capacity through at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be a poster judge Involve in the Planning Committee which includes chairing a session at the conference Attend all applicable BC Renal provincial and local modality committees meetings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate/Develop/Complete a research/fellowship project with the reporting supervisor, with identified clinical content co-supervisor if/as appropriate; for review and vetting. Work with the statistical and analytic team at BC Renal. Attend and present at UBC Division of Nephrology Research Forum.
Glomerulonephritis		Completion of a Master's or PhD in clinical epidemiology, statistics, or a relevant field, or equivalent; <i>or intention to enrol in courses.</i>		

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Hemodialysis		Underdevelopment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend relevant the BC Renal/UBC Province-wide Rounds, hospital academic rounds, and biopsy rounds. • Teach at academic half-day for Fellows at least twice per year, with oversight from the fellow's supervisor. • Complete the San'yas Core Indigenous Cultural Safety Health Training, if not yet completed. • Complete all evaluations and reports assigned by BC Renal. 	Underdevelopment
Home Therapies		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to national and international applicants. • Preference given to applicants enrolled in/completed Master's of Health Administration course. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of one home therapies research or quality improvement provincial project to support BC Renal strategic priorities. • Submission of abstracts to Canadian or international conferences (annual dialysis conference, National HHD symposium, PD university (poster presentation or oral presentation) and to peer reviewed journals. • Completion of training in Indigenous cultural safety through education and immersive practice in a rural and remote Indigenous community. • Provides administrative and medical leadership to support provincial and health authority quality review of home dialysis indicators.

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Palliative		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to national and international applicants. • Applicants must be interested in clinical and academic activities specific to Palliative Care skills and expertise. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of 6 month +/- clinical rotations in palliative care (SPH, BC Cancer, Richmond Community Palliative care services, RCH, Victoria Palliative Program). • Completion of formal palliative education curriculum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bimonthly palliative care education rounds (CME). ○ Exposure to clinics, projects, administration exposure (BC renal, PCC, Division of Nephrology). ○ Presentations at academic half day, local divisional rounds, province wide rounds, BC Kidney days, CSN annual meeting. ○ Indigenous cultural safety. • Potential International exposure to palliative care setting. • Health administration/health services education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Participates in BC Renal PCC and PCC leadership meetings. ○ Completion of a research/ quality improvement project resulting in abstract or manuscript submission. • Contribute to medical review of palliative quality metrics report at provincial and health authority level.