



**Palliative Care Clinical Scholar Training Program: 2024-2025**  
**Division of Nephrology Department of Medicine**  
**University of British Columbia**

The Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine at the University of British Columbia invites applications for Palliative Care Clinical Scholar Training Program: 2024-2025

This is a 12-month fellowship offered through collaboration of the BC Renal and UBC Division of Nephrology

**Number of Positions:** One Fellowship

**Duration:** 12 months

**Start date:** July 1, 2024

**Application deadline:** November 1, 2023

**Location:** Vancouver General Hospital & St Paul's Hospital

**Salary & Benefits:** \$75 000 per annum plus benefits

*Rationale:* Palliative care is vitally important in the spectrum of integrated renal patient care. There is growing recognition that those impacted by chronic kidney disease increasingly require the delivery of a Palliative approach to care. The Palliative Care Nephrology Advanced Fellowship is a 12-month program, offered in collaboration with BC Renal and the UBC Divisions of Nephrology and Palliative Care, focuses on the intersection of nephrology and palliative care.

Given the long relationship that Nephrologists have with the Chronic Kidney disease patient group, there is a need to integrate end of life and symptom management into Nephrology training. This dedicated fellowship supports the development of skills and expertise in conservative care, end of life discussions, decisions and treatment plans.

*Eligibility:* Individuals who have completed 24 months of training in an accredited Canadian Nephrology program (or equivalent with the approval of the Palliative Care fellowship director).

**College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC English Language Requirement for Registration:** The College has considered in the interest of patient care, any candidate applying for licensure in British Columbia must have the ability to speak, read, and write, English. If the language of primary medical education and patient care was not in English the successful completion of [IELTS Academic examination](#) is required to apply for this fellowship (waiver will not be granted).

- Minimum score of 7 in each component
- Test Report Form (TFR) is valid for a period of two years from date taken



*Objectives:*

- To develop expertise in the clinical management of symptoms, conservative care in the context of all patients with CKD irrespective of modality (non dialysis, dialysis or transplant)
- To develop knowledge of palliative care methodologies and frameworks applicable to the CKD patient care
- To develop an in-depth knowledge of biology and pharmacology related to symptom management in CKD
- To gain an understanding and experience in the administration of provincial health services within the context of BC Renal and Health authorities nephrology services and Palliative care resources
- To gain experience in the development, implementation and evaluation of integrated Palliative care programs; and in resource allocation
- To gain experience in development and implementation of educational programs, tailored for nephrology staff
- To gain experience in evaluation of program evaluation and quality metrics

Applicants interested in applying for this program should send:

- 1) Applicants should complete the [application link](#) and attach their letter of intent (include proposed start date), CV, and three references to UBC Division of Nephrology Clinical Scholar in Palliative Care Program c/o [Maeve Lalor](#), UBC Division & Program Administrator by November 1, 2023 for July 2024 start date
- 2) Decisions re: successful applicants will be forthcoming by November 21, 2023 for July 2024 start date
- 3) Expected start date is July 1, 2024

Thank you for your interest.