

Chair, BC Renal Peritoneal Dialysis Care Committee

Purpose

The Peritoneal Dialysis (PD) Chair plays a key role in providing strategic direction and leadership to the provincial PD committee, with a focus on achieving the goals outlined in the committee terms of reference and approved annual work plan.

Summary of Role

As a leader and key facilitator, the PD chair works closely with PD committee members from all Health Authority Renal Programs, patient partners as well as the leadership of other provincial committees and working groups. The goal is to improve standards of independent hemodialysis care and the overall patient experience across the province

Reporting Structure and Primary Working Relationships

The chair, reporting to BCR Executive Director/designate, leads the committee, and works closely with the vice-chair, designated BCR Director, committee members, a dedicated team of project management and administrative staff, fellows (if applicable), and with other provincial committees and working groups as appropriate. Ensuring effective collaboration is critical to achieving the PD committee purpose.

Time Commitment and Compensation

This role will require a commitment of approximately 100 hours per year. BC Renal provides an annual compensation of \$20,000 per annum and covers related expenses, including travel. The Chair leads PD committee meetings, attends and provides updates at the biannual BC Renal Executive Committee and BC Renal Medical Advisory Group (MAG) meetings.

Term of Appointment

The chair is appointed for a term of five (5) years with the possibility of renewal for a second term of five (5) years. Renewals may be considered if mutually agreed to be both appropriate and beneficial by BC Renal.

Qualifications

The ideal candidate has a broad understanding of the provincial renal network and a proven record of leading initiatives at regional or provincial levels for a minimum 5 to 7 years. Outstanding leadership skills to guide the committee in achieving strategic goals, are essential. A clinical background as a nephrologist is required with experience caring for patients on peritoneal dialysis. The candidate must reside in BC, be familiar with the BC Renal provincial network, a member of a health authority renal program and have 5 years of clinical experience (or the equivalent in education).

Declaration of Interest

The chair is required to sign and adhere to the BCR Declaration of Interest policy, to ensure transparency, and to promote ethical standards in the role.

Role Deliverables and Accountabilities

- Guide development of the PD Committee's terms of reference and annual work plan, aligned with the BCR strategic plan.
- Provide oversight and clinical guidance for all provincial PD initiatives and the provincial PD nurses group.
- Provide medical leadership for vendor business meetings, equipment and service RFP processes; serve as alternate chair for PD vendor meetings.
- Lead the annual performance review of the PD Committee against established goals, objectives and workplan.
- Establish, monitor, and promote effective use of PD quality indicators across health authorities, identifying areas for improvement.
- Work with BC Renal Senior Medical Lead for Provincial Quality and Data, to review HARP PD quality indicators to support continuous quality improvement.
- Foster a positive, collaborative committee environment and support integration across network committees to ensure seamless care and transition to PD.
- Chair PD Committee meetings and planning sessions, including review and approval of agendas and minutes, to ensure engagement and collaboration.
- Provide guidance and advice to committee members and PD programs, as required.
- Support integration and QI work of the PD Fellow with the PD Committee in collaboration with the PD Fellowship Program Director and UBC.
- Support succession planning and oversee a seamless transition to a new chair, as appropriate.
- Coordinate provincial responses to operational PD vendor or supply issues and manage critical issues as outlined in the terms of reference.
- Promote meaningful engagement of patient partners in committee activities and decision-making.
- Guide standing subcommittees and working groups to ensure alignment with committee goals and objectives.
- Foster external partnerships to improve quality of care for PD patients.

Indigenous Cultural Safety Training

- The chair is expected to complete the San'yas Health Training course, as this supports the foundational principle of the BC Renal strategic plan; completion of HA-specific Indigenous training exempts them from the San'yas course.

Fostering a Culture of Respect Course

The chair is expected to complete the Fostering a Culture of Respect course; completion of equivalent HA-specific course will exempt them from this requirement.