

Critical Care Medicine Clinical Fellow Job Description

Job Summary

The successful applicant will provide clinical leadership to the intensive care unit at Vancouver General Hospital.

Training Goals

The Clinical Fellow (“CF”), by the end of fellowship may expect to have:

- Managed a critical care team providing direct patient care and consultative services in a quaternary referral hospital
- Developed expertise in the critical care management of patients with severe sepsis/septic shock, acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), trauma, neurosurgical emergencies, burns, solid organ transplants and bone marrow transplants
- Developed expertise in the management of high acuity units and rapid response teams
- Developed expertise in the use of interventional techniques such as pulmonary artery catheterization, bedside echocardiography, continuous renal replacement therapy, airway management, vascular access and extracorporeal life support techniques.

Supervision Received

Vancouver General Hospital is a core training site for UBC’s Royal College of Physicians of Canada accredited fellowship training program. The role of the CF is modeled on the current roles and expectations for Royal College of Physicians of Canada Fellowship trainees.

Initially, and depending on each CF’s prior experience, the CF will act as a senior resident, but will transition to a leadership role over the first few weeks of training. A system of graduated responsibility will be employed whereby junior Fellows will receive closer supervision while more senior Fellows will be expected to essentially “run the ICU” with minimal guidance; however ICU consultants are always available. Clinical Fellows will be supervised by a team of rotating ICU consultants.

Supervision Given

The Clinical Fellow provides supervision and expertise and will act as a major resource for the clinical associates and rotating ICU residents.

Work Performed

- The Clinical Fellow will be aware of, and involved in, the care of all patients admitted to the ICU.
- Will act as the coordinator of the care plan and act as the primary resource person for rotating ICU residents.
- Will supervise and instruct rotating ICU residents, ensuring that proper techniques are followed at all times.
- Consult with the ICU attending physician about all consults seen, new patients admitted and all major changes in a patient’s condition.
- While on call, the Fellow will participate in, or conduct morning rounds, the afternoon handover round and an evening round if needed on all patients.

- The Clinical Fellow will ensure that residents and nurses understand the care plan for each patient and ensure that appropriate orders are written and that relatives, attending physicians and consultants are kept informed of the patient's condition and progress.

Additional Academic Opportunities

- Clinical Fellows interested in pursuing research may be granted protected time to do so, while assisting with call when needed.
- Specific formal training leading to Master's degrees (MSc, MHA, MPH) are available for trainees planning on spending a sufficient amount of time in the program. This will require specific discussion and organization prior to beginning the fellowship.

Organizational Status

Works directly with the ICU attending physicians and ICU staff, including rotating ICU residents, respiratory therapists and nurses.

Qualifications

Clinical Fellows must have completed, or be in the process of completing, all of the time and examination requirements which would allow them to be registered as a specialist in Critical Care Medicine in their home country.

Salary

Your annual compensation would be of \$79,842.72 plus benefits. There may be limited opportunities to provide additional clinical coverage for sessional remuneration.

Vacation Time

Four weeks per annum.

Probation Time

A probation period will apply for the three months of your employment. During this time we will assess your progress and performance in the position. During the probation period you or the employer may end your employment by providing adequate notice.

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