ENHANCED SKILLS

POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION
The Discipline of Family Medicine at Memorial University is pleased to introduce a six-month Enhanced Skills Program in Care of the Elderly. This program is specifically designed for physicians with a focus on geriatric clinical work. The program is ideally suited for physicians interested in geriatric hospital and nursing home work and academic geriatric medicine.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. Roger Butler
Enhanced Skills Care of the Elderly
Program Director
rbutler@mun.ca

Ms. Patricia Penton
Program Administrator
ppenton@mun.ca

Dr. Susan Mercer
Assistant Program Director
susan.mercer@mun.ca

Room 2711
Discipline of Family Medicine
Health Sciences Centre
300 Prince Philip Drive
St. John’s, NL
A1B 3V6
709 864-6535 (t)
709 777 7913 (f)

WWW.MED.MUN.CA/FAMILYMED/POSTGRAD/ENHANCEDSKILLS
This core program is designed to meet the trainees’ needs in the areas of inpatient geriatrics/psychogeriatric care, consults in geriatrics and geriatric psychiatry and emergency consults with the Rapid Response Team at the Health Sciences Centre. Core acute geriatric medicine will be taught in Saint John, New Brunswick, and core rural geriatric medicine will be delivered in Botwood, Newfoundland and Labrador. There are additional longitudinal outpatient experiences in physiatry, neurology (movement disorders and Parkinsonism) and chronic pain.

APPLICATION
Number of positions: Two X six-month (concurrent or staggered)
Start date: Between July 1 and December 31, 2017

A complete application must include:
• Application form
• Three (3) reference letters
• Personal letter indicating career goals and future practice plans
• Current curriculum vitae

Application deadline: March 31, 2017.

For more information contact:
Ms. Patricia Penton
Program Administrator
ppenton@mun.ca
Room 2711
Discipline of Family Medicine
Health Sciences Centre
300 Prince Philip Drive
St. John’s, NL
A1B 3V6
709 864 6535 (t)
709 777 7913 (f)
WWW.MED.MUN.CA/FAMILYMED/POSTGRAD/ENHANCEDSKILLS

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES
COLLEGE OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS OF CANADA
(STANDARDS OF ACCREDITATION)

The training is directed towards care of the frail elderly in the context of care of seniors generally and towards preventing frailty.

The resident in the PGY III Care of the Elderly six-month program will learn the specific knowledge, skills and attitudes to support their future practice in Care of the Elderly that may include primary care and consultative work which has a primary focus on the frail elderly.

IN THIS PROGRAM RESIDENTS WILL:
1. Establish effective doctor-patient communication and act as a health expert for the senior within the primary care setting and specialized geriatric care systems.
2. Learn the comprehensive geriatric assessment and develop a comprehensive approach to the frail elderly which includes assessment of mental function.
3. Become familiar with atypical presentations of illness and the management of the common geriatric and psychogeriatric problems in the community and long-term care (LTC) settings.
4. Develop additional administrative and clinical expertise in frail elderly care by working with an interprofessional team in a variety of urban and rural settings including LTC, acute care, rehabilitation, family medicine/geriatric focused clinics, and the patient’s home.

To achieve the core competencies of the six-month diploma program, we have included the following rotations:

1. Geriatric assessment/ward/consult - four weeks, St. John’s, NL.
2. Geriatric rehabilitation - four weeks, Leonard A. Miller Centre, St. John’s, NL.
3. Longitudinal geriatric clinics/research/housecalls/community/Alzheimer’s Society - 16 weeks, St. John’s, NL.
4. Long-term care/continuing care - four weeks, Leonard A. Miller Centre, Veteran’s Pavilion and Hoyles Escasoni, St. John’s, NL.
5. Geriatric psychiatry - eight weeks, Waterford Site, St. John’s, NL.
6. Family Medicine Geriatrics – four weeks rural rotation. Dr. Hugh Twomey Health Centre, Botwood, NL.
7. Ambulatory care/outreach - eight weeks
   • Movement disorders
   • Parkinson’s clinic
   • Physiatry clinic
   • Wound clinic
8. Research
   • Literature search and critical review of literature
   • Chart review on quality assurance project
   • Presentation of project
   (Dedicated research time of .5 day for 16 weeks)

The educational activities are adapted to the physicians’ particular experience and career goals. Specific objectives for each rotation will be discussed with the Program Director and rotation preceptor and guided by Core Competencies and Evaluation Forms. Residents are expected to attend designated meetings and academic teaching sessions. Residents are encouraged to enhance their administrative skills in long-term care geriatric medicine. Teaching of medical students and junior residents is expected throughout the program.

A faculty mentor is in place for resident guidance and support.

Web-based online program resources are available to all trainees.

CERTIFICATE OF ADDED COMPETENCE (CAC)
Upon successful completion of the program, certification will be awarded to the successful residents by the College of Family Physicians of Canada.

ROLE OF THE DIPLOMATE IN CARE OF THE ELDERLY

Depending upon needs within the Regional Health Authority within Newfoundland and Labrador and interest by the successful diplomate, future professional activities may include:

1. Primary care geriatric practice (office based).
2. Consultative practice (inpatient/outpatient).
3. Primary or consultative care on a geriatric/rehabilitation unit or family practice unit.
4. Academic career within the Division of Care of the Elderly, Discipline of Family Medicine.
5. Service and educational resource in a community program (Alzheimer’s Society, Seniors Research Centre, etc.).
EMERGENCY MEDICINE
This is a one-year program designed to provide physicians with the complex skill set necessary to practice Emergency Medicine.

Prospective applicants must be:

- Currently enrolled in an accredited Family Medicine Residency Training Program in Canada OR
- In practice (CCFP certified or eligible to sit the CCFP examination)

All successful applicants must be eligible for registration on the Educational Register of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Program Objectives
The Family Medicine Emergency Medicine Enhanced Skills Program at Memorial University is designed to:

- Train physicians to the high level of competence and confidence necessary for practice in rural or remote communities;
- Provide trainees with a broadly developed skill set appropriate to their chosen practice;
- Enable the emergency physician to take a leading role in the administration of emergency services in the community;
- Provide a formal teaching setting to prepare trainees to successfully sit the Examination of Special Competence in Emergency Medicine.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Rotation</th>
<th>Duration</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Emergency Medicine – Urban</td>
<td>20 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Emergency Medicine – Rural</td>
<td>4 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pediatric Emergency</td>
<td>4 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anesthesia</td>
<td>4 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Coronary Care</td>
<td>4 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Intensive Care (Adult)</td>
<td>8 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Plastic Surgery</td>
<td>4 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Elective</td>
<td>4 weeks</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Program Training Sites

- St. John’s
- Anesthesia and Emergency Medicine – Rural (Grand Falls-Windsor, NL)
- Pediatric Emergency (St. John’s, NL, or London, ON)

Interview/Selection
This program participates in the CaRMS match, see www.carms.ca. Interviews will be offered to short-listed candidates only.

Contact Information:
Dr. Peter Rogers
Program Director
Enhanced Skills Emergency Medicine
peter.r@nl.rogers.com

Ms. Patricia Penton
Program Administrator

Tel: 709 864 6535, Fax: 709 777 7913
Email: ppenton@mun.ca

For additional information, please visit us at: www.med.mun.ca/FamilyMed/Third-Year-EM.aspx.
Coming Soon!!!
Enhanced Skills Program
In Care of Underserved Populations
July 2017