

The Association of International Medical Doctors of British Columbia is a non-profit, professional association of like-minded doctors working together to effect positive change and to help each other through the process of becoming health professionals again in Canada. AIMDBC was formed in June 2003 and received significant support from the BC Internationally Trained Professionals Network in the process of getting up and running and now provides services and support to over 400 members throughout the province.

Currently we are assisted by community partners like MOSAIC and Immigrant Services Society and what financial support we receive comes from corporate and individual donors.

Our Goals

1. To facilitate access to the licensing process for international medical doctors living in British Columbia.
2. To work collaboratively with other stakeholders to identify and develop appropriate assessment, orientation, upgrading and integration programs for British Columbia's IMG's.
3. To provide information and support to members in licensing and finding meaningful employment in the healthcare field.

Our Membership

International medical graduates (IMGs) in British Columbia represent the largest population of internationally trained medical doctors in Canada outside of Quebec and Ontario. AIMD BC has members throughout British Columbia who are licensed to practice in over 75 countries. Our membership directly reflects the current diverse and culturally rich demographic of the Lower Mainland and larger metropolitan areas of BC.

Commitment to Standards

AIMD BC is committed to the maintenance of the ideals and standards of the Canadian Medical System.

What You Can Do

Donate Financially:

As a non-profit organization we are completely reliant on the good will of individual and corporate sponsors. No donation is too small and it all goes to the annual student bursaries and operations of the organization. Consider financial support.

Volunteer Your Time:

We are a volunteer organization and so your involvement as an active member of the organization or as a professional willing to assist us is how we move forward. If you have a service you can offer to us, become a volunteer.

Partner with AIMD BC:

We are assisted by community partners, organizations that allow some of their considerable resources to assist us in various ways. We are also able to post relevant jobs to our members so we can be of assistance to you as well. Become a partner.

Get Politically Active:

In addition to supporting our members we are also an advocacy organization and we have made progress by entering into constructive dialogue with stakeholders. Just writing your MLA/ MP or the Minister of Health makes a big difference.

Member Services

- Website with current information including a members section with the ability to network with other members, create discussion forums, form study groups and review job postings.
- Regular training sessions open to members to assist them as they prepare for the many national standards exams required in order to become licensed again as an M.D.
- Cash bursaries for members in the process of studying for exams. We hope to expand this as we receive more financial support from our individual and corporate sponsors
- Reduced cost for membership to the British Columbia Medical Association as well as other organizations and no cost to various functions
- Clinical Trainee list updated monthly and made available to all family doctors in BC through the BC College of Family Physicians
- Direction and support from other members including those already working in BC and in other provinces
- Free membership and regular email updates

Mission Statement

To ensure that internationally trained medical doctors are integrated effectively and equitably into British Columbia's healthcare system.

Member of:

- British Columbia IMG Integration Taskforce: which includes the Ministry of Health, UBC Faculty of Medicine, College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC, St. Paul's IMG Residency Program and the Professional Association of Residents of BC.
- Canadian Association of International Physicians and Surgeons: founding member of CAIPS along with sister organizations in Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario and Nova Scotia

In partnership with MOSAIC.



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