



Clinical Traineeship Policy

The College of Physicians & Surgeons of British Columbia ("the College"), as the governing body for physicians in British Columbia, has a statutory responsibility to protect the public and act in the public interest. It is essential that individuals meet appropriate standards, that the objectives of the clinical traineeship are specifically and clearly defined and that the functions and responsibilities of both the clinical trainee and the supervising/sponsoring physician are defined and observed.

Purpose

Temporary registration for the purpose of clinical traineeships is intended to afford an educational experience, for a limited duration, in an appropriate setting approved by the College. It is not an alternate route or pathway to licensure and it does not replace formal post-graduate education. The objective is to allow individuals to upgrade, enhance or maintain their clinical skills and competence, to aid in preparation for the Medical Council of Canada examinations and to familiarize themselves with the clinical and ethical requirements of the Canadian medical system.

Requirements

Applicants must comply with Rule 80.1 of the Rules made under the *Medical Practitioners Act*, namely:

- (a) *be graduates in medicine from a university or medical school approved by council;*
- (b) *have satisfactorily completed the Medical Council of Canada Evaluating Examination (MCCEE);*
- (c) *submit an application and provide written proof in the prescribed form of intended sponsorship and supervision by a member in good standing with and acceptable to the College.*

In addition, the following requirements must be met:

Ethical Principles

Applicants must confirm in writing that they have been provided with and have reviewed the Canadian Medical Association Code of Ethics approved by the College and must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Registrar an understanding of various ethical issues and principles, including those responsibilities with respect to patient confidentiality.