



PRACTICE READY ASSESSMENT MANITOBA - FAMILY PRACTICE (PRA MB-FP) 2021/22 ADMISSION

Important Information - Application Deadline: April 15, 2021

The Practice Ready Assessment Manitoba - Family Practice (PRA MB-FP) Program is an approved process for the purposes of Provisional Registration – Family Practice Limited by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba (CPSM). The 3-month assessment of clinical skills is conducted in rural Manitoba. Physicians who successfully complete the PRA MB-FP Program, will subsequently be expected to practice as a primary care physician in an underserved area of the Province of Manitoba, (as declared by the Minister of Health for the Province of Manitoba) for return of service.

For one year following the successful completion of the PRA MB-FP, the candidate will have an assigned mentor who will provide additional support and guidance to the individual physician (under the Mentorship and Clinical Enhancement Program).

Submitting an application **does not** guarantee admission to the PRA MB-FP.

Successful applicants will be notified to submit a separate application for Provisional Registration to the CPSM.

Applications for the PRA MB-FP are available from the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences, Max Rady College of Medicine website or by email at imgprgrm@umanitoba.ca. **The deadline for receipt of applications is April 15, 2021.**

PRA MB-FP APPLICATION PROCESS:

University of Manitoba IMG Program:

Application for PRA MB-FP

Program Interview

Therapeutic Decision Making (TDM) Examination

Application to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba (CPSM)
for Provisional Registration - Family Practice Limited

CPSM Application Approved

Sponsorship Confirmed

Orientation followed by PRA MB-FP Clinical Assessment

1. PRA MB-FP APPLICATION CRITERIA

Applicants for the PRA MB-FP must meet the following requirements:

- submit a completed PRA MB-FP application package to the IMG Program at the University of Manitoba by the deadline;
- must have a valid pass standing on the NAC OSCE Exam or Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination Part 2 (MCCQE Part 2) at the time of the application deadline;
- must show evidence of Currency in Practice - **minimum of 3 years** of independent clinical practice as a General/Family Practitioner **within 5 years** immediately preceding **April 15, 2021**;
- **PLEASE NOTE: Applicants without general or family practice training and/or practice experience will not be considered;**

2. APPLICATION REVIEW for the PRA MB-FP

Applications will be reviewed by the IMG Selection Committee. The Selection Committee takes into account previous practice experience, performance on the MCC exams, references and other factors. Preference will be given to residents of the Province of Manitoba and applicants with demonstrated commitment and experience in primary care in rural/remote settings. Following a review of all applications, a select number will be notified that they have been short-listed and will be invited for an in-person interview.

3. INTERVIEWS for the PRA MB-FP

Multiple interviewers will administer a structured interview that will last approximately 30 minutes. The interview does NOT directly test medical knowledge but includes questions related to your professional experiences (effective communication skills, critical thinking skills, adaptability, collaborative skills and experience, understanding of the Canadian/Manitoban health care system, etc.).

4. Therapeutic Decision Making (TDM) Examination

Those applicants who do not already have a pass standing on the TDM examination will be required to take the examination on June 29, 2021. The examination is 3 hours long and tests the application of knowledge in the pharmacological and non- pharmacological management of medical problems at the level required of a family physician practicing independently in Canada. The cost to take this examination in 2021 is \$1,945.

5. College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba (CPSM)

Only if you are shortlisted by the University and contacted by CPSM, will you submit an Application for Medical Registration to CPSM. Please carefully review the requirement for [Provisional Registration – Family Practice](#) And the [Academic and Postgraduate Clinical Training requirements](#). Additional documentation and valid proof of [English language proficiency](#) will be required by CPSM

6. SPONSORSHIP

Candidates who are successful in the TDM examination will be invited for a sponsorship interview with representatives of the Regional Health Authorities (RHAs). Successful candidates will be required to complete a return of service in Manitoba (current duration 4 years). Only applicants who are offered and subsequently accept sponsorship by an RHA will be accepted into the PRA MB-FP Program.

7. ORIENTATION

All applicants selected for the PRA MB-FP must complete a **MANDATORY** orientation prior to commencement of the clinical assessment period.

8. PROGRAM INFORMATION

Successful applicants will be scheduled to complete three 4-week periods of assessment in rural Manitoba. The assessment will consist of two clinic components and one acute care component in an ER setting. An evaluation is returned to the IMG Program after each 4-week period. A poor evaluation with recommendation for further training or failure of any portion of the assessment will result in immediate termination from the PRA MB-FP.

9. MENTORSHIP

Following the successful completion of assessment, PRA MB-FP candidates will be supported by a mandatory Mentorship for a one year period administered by the IMG Program.

The information in this document is kept as up to date as possible by the IMG Program. Notwithstanding, please be advised that elements of the program are in ongoing development, and as such may be subject to change without notice.