Clinical Fellowship Program

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Interventional Chronic Pain Fellowship

Manitoba

Manitoba's five universities and three community colleges offer high-quality advanced education with some of Canada's lowest tuition fees and overall lower cost of living.

Manitobans have one of the highest rates of vacation home ownership in Canada. Our province is home to over 100,000 lakes and for generations Manitobans have enjoyed weekends at the lake with family and friends. In addition, Manitoba's many beautiful provincial parks are year-round havens for campers, fishers, hikers and lovers of the great outdoors.

Winnipeg

Winnipeg is the vibrant, creative capital of Manitoba, right at the geographical centre of Canada and North America. A mid-sized city of over 745,000 culturally diverse people, Winnipeg offers a community with a cosmopolitan, international flair as well as a warm, welcoming spirit. Winnipeg hosts 60% of Manitoba's residents and continues to grow at a brisk pace. Described as the “cultural cradle of Canada,” Winnipeg offers a variety of arts, culture, sports, recreation and entertainment to satisfy every taste. We're a four-season city that celebrates a rich colourful history through our many historic sites, exhibits, attractions and yearly festivals.

Winnipeg is home to the Winnipeg Goldeyes, Winnipeg Blue Bombers and The Winnipeg Jets
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Acute Pain Management and Regional Anesthesia are two areas of rapid expansion in Anesthesia. As we proceed into a new millennium, both are playing an increasingly prominent role in the specialty. As such, there has been increasing interest in fellowship level training. The University of Manitoba offers an opportunity for Graduate Anesthesiologists to enhance their skills in both these areas.

The University of Manitoba has an active group of Anesthesiologists with an interest in Regional Anesthesia. Regional Anesthesia is not new to the University of Manitoba, which is reflected in the enthusiasm of the surgical staff. There is a cooperative atmosphere regarding the use of Regional Anesthesia. There is also the availability of an Ambulatory Centre affiliated with the University. A wide spectrum of blocks is applied, including continuous techniques. Additionally, a number of clinicians have developed expertise in the use of ultrasound for the administration of regional anesthetic techniques.

The Health Sciences Centre has a very active Acute Pain Service. We utilize epidurals extensively, with local anesthetics with or without opioids. Continuous plexus techniques are also widely used for both upper and lower extremity applications. The fellow will be involved in the administrative aspects of running a Pain Service, including database management, and quality assurance.

The University of Manitoba has a dynamic Chronic Pain Management Unit. This clinic is a multidisciplinary pain management unit utilizing a variety of interventional and non-interventional techniques for the management of chronic pain. Fellows have the opportunity to learn an integrated approach to the management of the chronic pain patient. The Acute Pain Service offers coverage for chronic pain patients in hospital and in the community after hours. This adds valuable scope to the knowledge base that a fellow will acquire.

There is ample opportunity to become involved in clinical research. There are resources available to develop an original project. If preferred, there are projects in progress. There is also a number of staff with research experience, who are able and willing to act as resources.

The fellow must have successfully completed an Anesthesia Residency program, and be eligible to sit the Examinations of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

The applicant must have a license to practice Anesthesia in the Province of Manitoba or be eligible to obtain a license in Manitoba.

The applicant will submit an application to the program consisting of:

- Fellowship Application Form (found on our website)
- A letter of intent to apply
- The names and contact information for three references
- A current curriculum vitae
  (Please see requirements for Obstetrical Anesthesia)
- Graduates of international medical schools must also provide evidence of a passing score on the MCCEE, and proof of English language proficiency for detailed requirements see (insert the link to the fellowship application page)

Pending the evaluation of application materials, interviews will be offered to select applicants.

The University of Manitoba Fellowship Selection Committee will accept a candidate(s) into the fellowship program following an interview. We offer a very competitive salary.

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