

EM Research Fellowship (St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver)

The UBC Division of Emergency Medicine is pleased to offer two clinical research fellowships in emergency medicine. Applicants must have completed an accredited emergency medicine training program (CCFP-EM or FRCP in Canada or equivalent from other countries) and be eligible for a medical license in British Columbia. The successful applicant will obtain a Masters of Health Science from the UBC Department of Health Care and Epidemiology during the two-year fellowship. Eligibility for the fellowship is contingent upon acceptance into the UBC masters program.

During the two-year program, the fellow will focus on one major research program at St. Paul's Hospital and be mentored by experienced clinical researchers in trial design, coordination, analysis and manuscript preparation. Authorship on multiple publications (including principal authorship on at least one major paper) is the goal. The fellow will have no departmental administrative or teaching responsibilities. The fellow will also work part time as a licensed emergency physician in St. Paul's Hospital emergency department. The

level of emergency faculty support will match the need and will gradually diminish during the training. At the end of the fellowship, the trainee will have fully developed clinical skills, appropriate for independent emergency practice in a tertiary care urban hospital, and will be poised for a successful career in academic emergency medicine.

Email Dr. Rob Stenstrom with any further questions at rstenstrom@providencehealth.bc.ca or on the St. Paul's Department of Emergency Medicine Web site www.sphemerg.ca (under the "Research" heading). The deadline for applications is **March 1st** for positions to commence in July (starting in August or September is also possible). Applications should include a curriculum vitae, names of two references, and a letter describing your goals and reasons for considering the fellowship.

Please send letters of interest and CVs to: Dr. Rob Stenstrom, Director of Research, Division of Emergency Medicine, St. Paul's Hospital, 1081 Burrard St., Vancouver BC V6Z 1Y6

Call for Papers

Knowledge Translation in Emergency Medicine: Establishing a Research Agenda and Guide Map for Evidence Uptake

The 2007 *Academic Emergency Medicine* Consensus Conference on Knowledge Translation in Emergency Medicine will be held on May 15, 2007, immediately preceding the SAEM Annual Meeting in Chicago. Original papers, if accepted, will be published together with the conference proceedings in the November 2007 issue of *Academic Emergency Medicine*. Knowledge Translation (KT) describes any activity or process that facilitates the transfer of high-quality evidence from research into effective changes in health policy, practice or products. KT attempts to conceptually combine elements of research, education, quality improvement and electronic systems development to create a seamless linkage between interventions that improve patient care and their routine implementation in daily clinical practice. KT research may pertain to any and all aspects of this endeavour. Examples of research topics that would qualify under this category include:

- Investigations of attitudes toward the use of decision rules or practice guidelines.
- Studies of effectiveness of decision support systems in increasing utilization of target interventions.
- Studies of the effectiveness of educational/CPD (Continuing Professional Development) interventions in changing practitioner behaviour.
- Papers in the health care policy arena that describe and measure the impact of approaches for closing the research to practice gap.
- Research that examines the effect of evidence uptake interventions on patient outcomes.
- Papers that discuss and contribute to the methodology of KT related investigations as well as its conceptual framework.

The conference will be designed and conducted to reach consensus on:

- A research agenda in Knowledge Translation based on an exploration of the most important gaps that currently exist between research and practice in Emergency Medicine.
- Recommendations that will advance the KT agenda

Original contributions describing relevant research or concepts in this topic will be considered for publication in the November 2007 special topics issue of *AEM* if received by **Wednesday, March 1, 2007**. All submissions will undergo peer review, and publication cannot be guaranteed. For queries, please contact Dr. Eddy S. Lang, Consensus Conference Coordinator; eddy.lang@mcgill.ca, 514 340-8222 x5568, or Dr. Richard Sinert, *AEM* Editor for the special issue; Richard.Sinert@Downstate.edu, or consult the *SAEM Newsletter* and the *AEM* and *SAEM* Web sites.