

Adult Cardiology

Adult Interventional Cardiology

Application details

Prerequisite(s): Adult Cardiology training (see below for full details)

Estimated % clinical workload: 80%

Number of positions annually: 4-5

Duration: 1-2 years

Start date: July 1st, however flexible

Application deadline: Typically 14-18 months prior to start date

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What we offer you

The adult interventional cardiology program offers comprehensive training in percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) and percutaneous structural interventions. Our program provides trainees with a regimented educational program in a high-volume environment inclusive of both stable and unstable coronary syndromes and multiple state-of-the-art structural interventional technologies. Trainees obtain educational opportunities in the cardiac catheterization laboratory, ambulatory clinic and research settings. In addition to hands-on training, trainees attend multiple didactic and interactive rounds weekly. Our interventional program is also one of the first in Canada to be approved by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada for an Area of Focused Competence (AFC) accreditation. All graduates of the program are eligible for AFC diploma certification (see below).

The Area of Focused Competence (AFC) Program: [Please see [Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Website](#)]

The AFC program is competency-based as per the Royal College ([C Standards](#)). Upon satisfactory completion, graduates can receive a Diploma of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (DRCPSC), and will be recognized nationally and internationally as individuals who have sought to advance their knowledge and expertise with additional complementary skills and competencies.

To be eligible for the AFC program, candidates must be Royal College certified or eligible for Royal College examinations in Cardiology or its equivalents. Equivalency must include at least:

- eight (8) months of clinical cardiology (including at least four (4) months of CCU)
- three (3) months of cardiac catheterization
- four (4) months of echocardiography
- one (1) month of electrophysiology
- one (1) month of nuclear cardiology/exercise stress testing

Internationally-trained cardiologists will require demonstration of equivalency for entrance.

Program in Structural Heart Disease Intervention:

Further fellowship focusing on complex structural intervention is also offered. Interventions including TAVI, mitral clip, ASD, PFO closure and left atrial appendage closure are included in the curriculum. This is offered only to candidates who have completed at least one year of core training in percutaneous coronary interventions and have proven competency as per Royal College AFC requirements.