

CAGPO Clinical Training Scholarships in Cancer Care and Control 2019-2020

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CAGPO Mission Statement:

- Unify General Practitioners in Oncology
- Promote communication among General Practitioners in Oncology in tertiary care and primary care settings
- Act and speak as the recognized authority on behalf of and for the benefit of General Practitioners in Oncology and their interests
- Promote the role of General Practitioners in Oncology within Cancer Centers, and *within the primary care setting support and encourage the development of educational opportunities for Family Physicians / General Practitioners wishing to obtain additional training in Oncology*

Objective

- designed to support family physicians/general practitioners to develop knowledge and skills in cancer care and control activities to better serve needs of their community
- eligible areas include, but not limited to, cancer therapeutics, prevention, screening, early detection, psychosocial support, symptom management & palliative care

Eligibility

- scholarships available to community-based family physicians/general practitioners as well as those currently employed full or part time by cancer agencies or programs.
- applicants must possess a license to practice medicine in a Canadian province or territory and **MUST BE MEMBERS OF CAGPO AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION.**
- preference will be given to those who have been CAGPO members for at least one year.

- applicants who are presently employed on a full- or part-time basis by cancer agencies or programs must indicate how the training proposed is not supported within the conditions of their employment
- scholarship funding not intended to fund a period of orientation or oncology training as a condition of employment at the beginning of employment at a cancer agency or program

- *willing to consider any funding suggestions to allow physicians employed full time in cancer programs to participate in clinical traineeship*
- CAGPO Scholarship funding will NOT be awarded for programs previously completed or currently underway prior to the application deadline
- an individual can be awarded a scholarship only once in any 5 year period

Format

- learning activity should take the form of a clinical traineeship of one to four weeks' duration if done on a full-time basis & proportionately longer if done part-time
- consist of an active, individualized and practical experience related to clearly defined educational objectives
- expected that recipients will forego all or part of their usual clinical duties for the duration of the traineeship
- *other formats considered on a case by case basis*

- report to be submitted to CAGPO within 4 weeks of completion of the program outlining the extent to which the educational objectives were achieved & impact of training on the physician's practice
- scholarship recipients also expected to attend the next CAGPO conference (registration fee will be waived) and present a brief 5-10 minute overview of experience including educational objectives & impact of training on their practice as outlined in formal report
- if unable to attend conference, a video or slideshow would be an acceptable alternative

Time & Location of Traineeship

- traineeship to occur in Canada in cancer program able to offer suitable supervision & clinical experience
- training must commence within 6 months of award being made
- candidates should make contact with cancer centre & negotiate timing, supervision & content of proposed traineeship
- *if educational needs cannot be met in Canada, committee may consider other sites of training on case by case basis*

Amount & Disbursement of Award

- value of each scholarship is \$4,500 per full-time week of training to maximum of four weeks per recipient
- total number of weeks of scholarship funding may vary year to year & will depend on CAGPO's financial position & funding available to Scholarship Committee

Continuing Education Credits:

- CAGPO scholarships will be eligible for Mainpro+ credits from the College of Family Physicians of Canada based on individual application by the recipient
- see www.cfpc.ca for details

Selection of Recipients:

- Selection of the recipients will be made by CAGPO Scholarship Committee based on the overall merit of application, benefit to community, to achieve a balance amongst regions of Canada & between rural & urban practitioners
- number of scholarships awarded will be based on the merit of the applicants and funding available to the committee

Procedure for Application

- applications must be postmarked, faxed or emailed no later than midnight, Monday, July 15, 2019 & should include:
- description of proposed learning objectives, setting and supervision for training experience & duration of training
- description of community presently served by physician and expected benefits of training to community

- letter from traineeship supervisor and/or sponsoring agency or institution indicating they have agreed to provide training opportunity
- brief biographical profile
- if any of above details are not included, application will be considered incomplete & will not be considered

The Balance Sheet

- 2005: \$11,250
- 2006: \$25,000
- 2007: \$20,000
- 2008: \$11,250
- 2009: \$2,500
- 2010: \$13,500*
- 2011: \$27,000
- 2012: \$13,500
- 2013: \$13,500
- 2014: \$18,000
- 2015: \$4,500
- 2016: \$9,000
- 2017: \$31,500
- 2018: \$18,000
- Total: \$218,500

2017-18 CAGPO Scholarship Recipients:

- Dr. Gen Chaput has completed the Complex Lymphatic Therapy certification in Montreal
- Dr. Lori Ann Hayward has completed the Palliative Care Education and Practice (PCEC) Course sponsored by the Centre for Palliative Care at the Harvard Medical School

Current Recipient: Dr Wendy Lambert

- 4 week scholarship to enhance skills in:
- management of PICC line issues, paracentesis & thoracentesis
- hypertension & diabetes
- lymphedema clinic
- radiation side effects
- follow-up clinics in breast & colorectal
- RACE Team (rapid assessment clinical events)