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# **Physician Leadership Information**

## **Physician Leadership Scholarship:**

The Physicians Leadership Scholarship Fund is aimed at building physician capacity in leadership and quality improvement skills, which ultimately results in better patient care. It also provides physicians with an incentive to improve access and coordination of care; and provides staff resources to support physicians and initiatives.

Physicians can apply for up to \$10,000 each fiscal year in scholarship funding to attend courses or conferences with a core and primary focus on leadership or quality improvement.

### **Eligibility**

SSC scholarship funding is available for physicians who are graduates or fellows
of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and who are actively
practicing in BC. Funding is provided for participation in programs with a core
and primary focus on leadership or quality improvement. The training is offered
by recognized academic institutions, professional bodies and/or organizations
that offer courses with a focus on quality improvement in health care.

## **Application**

Interested physicians can:

- Choose a course and connect with <a href="mailto:physicianqi@northernhealth.ca">physicianqi@northernhealth.ca</a> for assistance with filling out and processing the application form.
- The application has to be endorsed by the VP of Medicine (physicianqi can help with that) and then sent for processing, review and approval by the JCC Leadership Administrative team
- The application must be submitted prior to training.

#### **Benefits**

 Up to \$10,000/year which may be applied toward tuition/course fees and travel/accommodation expenses.





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#### **REAP**

The purpose of the Rural Leadership Development Project is to increase opportunities for rural physicians to pursue leadership training and develop the skills and abilities to help bring system improvements that will benefit British Columbia's rural populations.

In addition to access to a formalized leadership program, participants will be offered a mentoring opportunity with a rural leader through <u>UBC CPD'S Rural Physician</u> <u>Mentoring Program</u>. As well, during the course of the training, participants will be encouraged to participate as a guest (when invited) in two meetings of groups providing leadership in rural BC (e.g. JSC, RCCbc Core, Dean's Advisory council, rural HA leadership forum, Rural Issues Committee etc.). Such shadowing opportunities have been seen as important in grounding leadership training in real-life contexts.

### **Application**

The application form and all supporting documents must be submitted prior to training. Applications are assessed and awarded (based on rural benefit and equity) by a panel consisting of a representative from the JSC, REAP, RCCbc, Rural Chair, and the Rural Issues Committee.

Four to six applications will be accepted every year. This year's application deadlines are April 30 and October 31st.

## **Eligibility**

- Physicians who have been practicing in a <u>RSA community</u> for at least nine months of the past year.
- Letters from the health authority regional medical director and hospital chief of staff confirming that the training is needed in the community.

#### Benefits

 Up to \$15,000/year which may be applied toward tuition/course fees, travel/accommodation expenses and may be used to compensate you for your time taken away from practice to pursue the training.





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