Who We Are

The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) is Canada's largest mental health and addiction teaching hospital. CAMH combines clinical care, research, education, policy development and health promotion to help transform the lives of people affected by mental health and addiction issues.

The Addictions Division is part of the Acute Care Program at CAMH, and is one of CAMH's eight academic divisions, with an affiliation with the Division of Brain and Therapeutics, Department of Psychiatry at the University of Toronto (U of T). Scientists in the Division hold funding from CIHR, NIH, Health Canada and the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI). The Division faculty collectively publishes over 100 peer-reviewed papers yearly, and serve in leadership roles within U of T, the hospitals and nationally and internationally.

Fellowship Description

The Addiction Fellowship Program is a 1-year program with 2 streams:

- Area of Focused Competence (AFC) in Addiction Medicine: all those eligible for RCPSC certification can apply.
- 2. Enhanced Skills in Addiction Medicine: residents can apply in their PGY2 year via CARMs. Re-entry funding for family physicians in practice is also possible. Please see the Department of Family and Community Medicine website for the most up-to-date application instructions.

Each fellow's clinical training program will include general exposure to the broad range of addictions. Our hospitals and affiliated sites offer clinical exposure to the full continuum of care for patients with addictions including:

- Initial screening including medical and psychiatric assessment
- Withdrawal management
- (ambulatory and inpatient)
- Brief interventions (e.g. Motivational Interviewing)
- Structured psychotherapies (e.g. CBT, coping skills)
- Day treatment
- Residential treatment

Training is also offered in specialty areas of youth, women, concurrent mental health disorders, LGBTQ2S+, stimulants, cannabis, opioids, and gambling.

Fellows have a 1-month elective block during which they can pursue areas of interest in the field of addictions or related fields.



Education

Fellows will have access to a broad range of multidisciplinary educational events within the Departments of Psychiatry and Family and Community Medicine at the U of T. Fellowship experiences are based at U of T teaching hospitals including CAMH, St. Michael's Hospital, and Women's College Hospital. Fellows will also contribute to teaching of residents, medical students and other advanced students of all disciplines.

Research

Each fellow will have research training that is individually tailored to meet his or her needs. Some fellows choose to be involved in a larger study being conducted by one of the Program's faculty, while others utilize the fellowship period to design and conduct an independent research project.

Application for 2024-2025 Program

Sept. 11th to Nov. 24th, 2023

For all applicants:

- Updated CV
- Letter of Intent
- Copy of MD
- 2 Letters of Recommendation from physicians in a supervisory role
- Letter from Residency Program Director

International applicants please add:

- Copy of residency diploma
- Residency transcripts

Apply at:

https://documents.med.utoronto.ca/Forms/FellowshipsApplication

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