Job Description for UBC Uro-Oncology fellows

Preamble

The Uro-Oncology fellowship at UBC is intended to provide the candidate with advanced skills and knowledge in the clinical and research aspects of Urological Oncology, and robotic surgery. The program is a minimum of 2 years in duration, at least one year in clinical oncology. Under special circumstances, a one year clinical fellowship will be considered.

Educational Goals

1. Gain an advanced understanding of the biology of urologic malignancies
2. Acquire the knowledge and ability to apply principles of medical oncology, radiation oncology, and uropathology in the day-to-day management of patients with urologic malignancies
3. Implement progressive and graded patient care responsibility
4. Familiarize with all state-of-the-art imaging modalities
5. Perform complex tumor resections with a clear understanding of the benefits and the technical limitations of surgical procedures, including laparoscopy, Robotic surgery, RPLND and urinary diversion
6. Acquire the knowledge and experience in clinical trial methodology, study design, biostatistics, and data analysis
7. Learn how to manage an academic or tertiary referral practice
8. Participate in continuing medical education, review of manuscripts for journals, organization of meetings,
9. Acquire skills for self-education and collaboration in translational research
10. Write book chapters and submit manuscripts for peer review publications
11. During the laboratory research year, to acquire experience and understanding of laboratory techniques, methodology, and approaches in tumour biology related to GU cancers and related translational research issues
Principles of the Relationship between the Fellows and Urology Residents

1. The fellow’s presence is intended to enhance the educational and clinical experience of UBC Urology residents
2. The fellow will take an active role in teaching of the UBC Urology residents
3. The clinical fellow will alternate on a preceptor basis with Dr’s Goldenberg, Gleave, So and Black.
4. The fellow assigned to robotic surgery will attend all robotic cases as the primary bed-side assistant with the assumption of graduated responsibilities at the console commensurate with technical proficiency.
5. When preceptored by one of these attendings the fellow will be expected to participate in that attending’s operative cases (as the first assistant) and clinics.
6. For operative cases other than those of the preceptor at VHHSC (VGH and UBC site) the chief resident will have first right of refusal to be first assistant.
7. Fellows will not attend surgical procedures at the Providence sites except by invitation only by the senior resident on rotation at Providence.
8. The fellow is expected to attend the multi-disciplinary GU clinic at the BCCA each Wed at 8 am.

Integration with UBC Urology Residents and Teaching Responsibilities

1. The fellows will be expected to each participate in the VHHSC VGH resident call schedule approximately one night per week. Weekend first call will be provided when there are insufficient junior residents to fulfill PAR-BC 1:3 contractual obligations. Back up call to be provided to junior residents on call approximately one weekend in 6.
2. The fellows will be expected to cover ward/ER/OR responsibilities during Resident academic half-day each Friday from 1300-1700, and during scheduled teaching sessions with visiting Professors.
3. The fellows will each present at Urology Grand Rounds twice during the academic year