

## **Urology Reconstructive and Functional Surgery Fellowship Vesia (Alberta Bladder Centre)**

**Duration:** One Year  
**Site(s):** Rockyview Hospital  
**Program Director:** Dr. Kevin Carlson  
**Preceptor:** Dr. Richard Baverstock

### **Summary:**

This is a one-year clinical fellowship. Upon completion, the fellow will be proficient in assessing and managing simple and complex presentations of incontinence, voiding dysfunction (neurogenic and non-neurogenic), pelvic organ prolapse, male stricture disease, female urologic conditions, and pelvic pain. Time will be spent in the clinic, urodynamics lab, cystoscopy suite and operating room. Technical skills will include performing and interpreting urodynamic studies (video and non-video), botulinum toxin injection, implantation of prosthetics, pelvic organ prolapse repairs (vaginal and laparoscopic approaches, including hysterectomy), other vaginal surgery (fistula repair, diverticulum excision, removal of vaginal mesh), urethral reconstruction, numerous surgical approaches to incontinence, cystectomy including continent and incontinent urinary diversion. Completion and publication of clinical research projects is expected.

### **Objectives:**

- By the end of this fellowship, the fellow will be expected to have gained sufficient knowledge and skill to function as an independent urologist with subspecialty training as a reconstructive and functional urologist.
- At the completion, fellows will have reached clinical expertise and be proficient in all areas of reconstructive and functional urology including a number of common procedures such as performing and interpreting urodynamics as well as prolapse and pessary assessments.
- One manuscript and one presentation at a national meeting will be expected.

### **Clinical:**

- 12 Months of reconstructive/functional urology
- Protected research time
- Opportunities for combined operative experience with urogynecology
- Conference support for International meeting if presenting
- Monthly journal club
- Quarterly urology/radiology rounds, quality management rounds and CME reviews

**Research:**

- There are opportunities for basic science and clinical research and a project will be selected by each Fellow with the guidance of the Program Directors and Fellowship Preceptor and will be required to present at the Annual Surgical Fellows Research Symposium held yearly.

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must have completed, or be completing, a Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Canada (or equivalent) accredited residency program in Urology.
- Must be eligible for an Educational or Independent license to practice medicine by the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta.
- If prospective fellows have done their medical school outside of an English speaking country, candidates must complete their IELTS (International English Language Testing System) academic version and submit it with their application. Please refer to <http://www.cpsa.ca/language-proficiency/> for more information.
- Fellows are required to meet Canada's immigration laws and other requirements in regards to obtaining a work permit.

**Application Requirements:**

- 3 letters of reference.
- Curriculum Vitae which includes pre-medical, medical and post-medical school training, publications, certificates, awards and scholarships.

**Application Process:**

Interested applicants are asked to apply online at the link below.  
For more information, please contact the Office of Surgical Fellowship.

**APPLICATION LINK:**

[Apply Online](#)