



Nanaimo Emergency ED Programs  
NEEP

## **Nanaimo Emergency Education Program (NEEP) FAQ**

### ***What is the NEEP program?***

NEEP stands for Nanaimo Emergency Education Programs (NEEP). NEEP is an innovative program funded by the Rural Coordination Center for BC and REAP through the Joint Standing Committee on Rural Health to provide family physicians practicing in smaller and rural communities with a three-month, full time, remunerated fellowship in Emergency Medicine. The NEEP program provides a learning structure that is practical and relevant, offering a unique opportunity for comprehensive skills enhancement in Emergency Medicine.

### ***How often is the NEEP program run?***

The program will be provided twice a year, with cohorts in the spring (April-June) and the fall (September-December).

### ***What are the eligibility and requirements to apply for the NEEP program?***

CCFP and CCFP-eligible practicing physicians from small and rural communities may apply for a fellowship. Newly qualified CCFP practitioners and/or International Medical Graduates (IMGs) would benefit greatly from this opportunity to enhance emergency skill sets prior to commencing locums or establishing rural practices. Rural generalists who have been in practice for years may also wish to use the NEEP program to refresh their emergency medicine skills and knowledge. Training through the NEEP program may be up to 12 weeks in length.

### ***What does the NEEP program offer?***

This program will offer you approximately 12 weeks of intensive learning opportunities, including rotations in the emergency and procedural services, as well as elective opportunities with ICU, Anesthesia, or Rural Emergency.

The core clinical placements occur at Nanaimo Regional General Hospital Emergency Department, providing learners with practical, real-world experiences in order to build advanced management and procedural skills.

Weekly academic sessions are an integral part of the core program. These educational sessions include a variety of emergency medicine topics, hands on workshops for procedural skills, refreshers in ACLS, ATLS, and PALS, ultrasound (POCUS) training, and hands on training in the high fidelity medical simulation (SIM) lab.

### ***How am I funded while taking the NEEP program?***

A funding application form will be provided after acceptance to the NEEP program. Funding is provided by the Rural Coordination Centre of BC (RCCBC) and Rural Education Action Plan (REAP). Funding is consistent with typical REAP levels.

***If you are interested in applying for this program or would like more information, please email [neepdocs@gmail.ca](mailto:neepdocs@gmail.ca).***

