



Meagan's Hug Fellowship in Paediatric Neuro-Oncology at The Hospital for Sick Children Toronto, Canada

This 1(-3) year academic clinical and/or research fellowship will provide the successful candidate with an opportunity to train in one of the largest, most world renowned paediatric brain tumour program (www.sickkids.ca/haematologyoncology/index.html) and affiliated paediatric brain tumour research centres in the world (www.sickkids.ca/Research/BTRC/). The combined clinical and research programs have a global reputation for state-of-the-art multi-disciplinary care of paediatric brain tumour patients, and excellence in clinical and research training. The clinical faculty; which is comprised of 2 clinician-experts and 3 clinician-scientists, has a wide breadth of experience in clinical trials (early phase 1-2 trials, phase 3 trials, consortium trials, investigator-initiated trials, supportive care trials, cognitive preservation/restoration trials) and are recognized leaders in the global neuro-oncology field.

The Brain Tumour Research Centre is staffed by oncologist-scientists, surgeon-scientists, pathologist-scientists and psychologist-scientists who conduct leading edge investigations in neuro-cognition, stem cell biology, and translational pediatric oncology including experimental therapeutics. The Paediatric Brain Tumour Program and the Brain Tumour Research Centre (BTRC) have trained multiple consultants who now hold leadership positions in prestigious institutes in Europe, South America, Asia and the Middle East. All staff members have appointments with the faculty of graduate studies at the University of Toronto and can supervise fellows interested in formal graduate academic training.

Fellows will have the option to pursue a strict 12 month clinical training program with opportunities to develop the clinical academic skills necessary to practice as an expert consultant in paediatric neuro-oncology at the highest level, or to pursue additional academic training. The Paediatric Brain Tumour Program at SickKids sees between 80-100 primary diagnosis/year, and also consults directly or via e-communications for 100-200 patients worldwide. There are dedicated international twinning programs for clinical care and clinical research with centres in Jordan, Morocco, Pakistan, South and Central America group, and others.

Trainees are mentored to develop strong clinical academic skills through involvement in clinical trials, preparation of clinical manuscripts, involvement in focused clinical projects and attendance at international meetings. Fellows who have an interest in pursuing further training in clinical, translational or basic-science research beyond the core 12 months of clinical neuro-oncology will be encouraged to develop a research plan with faculty investigators within the BTRC

and the Sickkids Research Institute. Such a fellow will have opportunities to receive research funding through their specific mentor, grants and the prestigious Garron Family Centre Research Fellowship in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology.

Eligibility

- Applicants should be certified or board-eligible in Paediatric Hematology/Oncology.
- Applicants may be Canadian or international citizens.

Application Process

The Paediatric Brain Tumour Program at the Hospital for Sick Children usually receives multiple applications. Early submission therefore is strongly encouraged.

To apply for consideration, and for further information about this fellowship, please follow this link:

<http://www.sickkids.ca/HaematologyOncology/Education-and-Learning/Fellowship-Program/index.html>

- Submission deadline is **April 30, 2023** for the Academic year starting July 1, 2024.
- Interviews will be conducted in June-July 2023; notifications of decisions will be sent out between August-September, 2023.

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