

First, what is the Victoria-South Island LTCI?

The Victoria-South Island Long-term Care Initiative works to improve the care of all residents in long-term care (LTC) homes, through implementing best practice expectations for medical care, collaborating with physicians & care homes teams, & facilitating system-level changes to the culture & structure of LTC.

Who is the Advanced LTC Training Program For?

This program is designed for licensed Family Physicians (FPs) who:

- are new to practice & wish to augment LTC skills, or
- aren't currently providing LTC but would like to, or
- want additional training to continue providing LTC

Gain the clinical experience & skills to begin, maintain, or reintroduce caring for patients in LTC.

WHAT WILL PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS LEARN?

Participants will gain a solid foundation in core LTC Clinical and Practice Competencies:



Proactively assess/manage common LTC medical conditions (delirium, dementia, falls, end of life care, wounds)



Evaluate/manage pharmacokinetic changes of aging, drug regimens & non-pharmacologic therapies



Evaluate/manage & document end of life care issues (serious illness conversations, MOST)



Attend/participate in care conferences of LTC home residents & collaborate with staff team members



Make clinical decisions & manage calls after-hours; learn about the Vic-SI After-Hours Call Groups



Participate in Quality Improvement activities (supporting positive change in care quality & LTC environment)

PROGRAM OUTLINE & ACCREDITATION



The program runs as a half-day session (3.5 hours), once per week, for up to 8 weeks, with adjustment as needed. One weekend is spent on-call & scheduling may be discussed upon program entry. The program is currently non-accredited; CME accreditation is in progress & learners may be eligible to claim MainPro credits.

"Having such a strong mentor relationship has given me the skills needed to take on my own panel of LTC patients while supporting their retiring physician in the transition of care. This program has allowed me to help my community in a way that is sustainable as a busy physician."

- Dr. Alicia Pawluk, program participant

Find more info on the Vic-SI LTCI's Advanced LTC Training Program here



WHAT FUNDING RESOURCES DOES THE PROGRAM OFFER?

Peer Learner Training Stipend (up to \$5,000 per participant)

Learners are eligible to receive payment for up to 28 hours at the current sessional rate for a maximum of \$4,500. Learners do not bill fee-for-service for clinical activities. Additionally, Peer Learners are eligible to receive \$500 for one after-hours call shadowing session.

LTC Practice Coach Stipend (up to \$2,850 per mentor)

In addition to billing fee-for-service for clinical activities, LTC Practice Coaches are eligible for up to 16 hours of administrative (i.e. non-clinical) time per Peer Learner at the sessional rate. Additionally, LTC Practice Coaches are eligible to receive \$500 for after-hours call shadowing.

We like hearing from you!

Are you a Family Physician interested in the Vic-SI LTCI's Advanced Long-term Care Training Program? Have questions? Contact us!
 Talk to a member of our team by phoning **(778) 265-3137**, email us at **victoriasouthisland.ltc@divisionsbc.ca**, or visit **vicsi-ltci.ca**

