

## **COMPLEX SPINE NEUROSURGEON**

The Clinical Department of Neurosciences, Alberta Health Services, and the Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Surgery, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry at the University of Alberta, is accepting applications for a complex spine neurosurgeon.

The Division and Clinical Section of Neurosurgery is committed to the improvement of health through excellence in patient care, leadership in education and research, and in preventative initiatives directed at the promotion of neurological well-being. Neurosurgery is comprised of 17 members, providing comprehensive neurosurgical services for a wide geographic area serving a population of over two million people. Every subspecialty is represented, with expansion in areas such as spine, neuro-oncology and neuro-vascular interventional. The work is supported by state of the art neurosurgical technologies including a 3T intraoperative MRI operating theatre, and a Gamma Knife Suite. There is an intraoperative CT scanner at each site for navigated spine cases.

Complex spinal surgery is performed at both the University of Alberta Hospital and the Royal Alexandra Hospital, and the successful candidate will have a clinical footprint at each site. In addition, there may be an expectation to perform routine spinal surgery at other sites in the city. Emphasis will be placed on candidates with demonstrated excellence in both operative and non-operative clinical care.

The successful candidate will be expected to hold a Clinical Academic Colleague appointment in the Division of Neurosurgery, Department of Surgery, University of Alberta. The position includes a 70% commitment to clinical practice including participation in a general neurosurgery and complex spine on-call program, and includes a commitment to non-classroom clinical teaching embedded within this 70% clinical practice. A 30% commitment to classroom teaching, research and administration is also required. The spine program is a combined neurosurgery and orthopedic surgery program, and participates in several registries and clinical trials. Interest in clinical research in terms of the Canadian Spine Outcomes Research Network and clinical trial recruitment is therefore required. In addition, interest in basic science research and quality improvement initiatives are also welcomed.

Applicants must hold an MD or equivalent, with completed training in Neurosurgery, and must be eligible for licensure in the Province of Alberta. The successful candidate must have obtained the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Fellowship in Neurosurgery. The candidate should have completed a fellowship in complex spine surgery. Preference will be given to applicants who hold a Masters' Degree or PhD designation.

Consideration of applications will continue until the position is filled. Interested applicants should send a current curriculum vitae, a two page a statement of clinical interest and anticipated non-clinical contributions, and the names of three referees to:

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All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

**Additional Information**

Position Classification: Full-time

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Department: Clinical Neurosciences

Specialty: Neurosurgery

Recruiting Organization: Alberta Health Services

Sponsorship Eligible: Yes

Compensation: The position will be a Clinical Academic Colleague with a competitive salary through the Neurosurgery Academic Medicine and Health Services Program (AMHSP).

**Community Info:**

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Posting Status: Open until a suitable candidate is found