

*These training requirements apply to those who begin training on or after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.*

## **MINIMUM TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

Five years of approved residency training, organized into sixty-five (65) 4-week blocks or sixty (60) one month rotations. A combination of weeks and months may be used. This period must include:

1. A minimum of eighteen (18) blocks of foundational clinical training that must include:
  - 1.1. Five (5) blocks of medical specialty/subspecialty training; with no more than 2 blocks in any one medical specialty/subspecialty
  - 1.2. Four (4) blocks of surgical specialties/subspecialties; with no more than 2 blocks in any one surgical specialty/subspecialty
  - 1.3. One (1) block of diagnostic imaging
  - 1.4. One (1) block of anatomical pathology
  - 1.5. Three (3) blocks of medical oncology
  - 1.6. One (1) block of palliative care
  - 1.7. Three (3) blocks of elective opportunities
  
2. A minimum of three years of Radiation Oncology, which must include:
  - 2.1. Clinical experience, in both inpatient and outpatient settings in all of the following:
    - 2.1.1. Breast cancer
    - 2.1.2. Gastrointestinal cancers
    - 2.1.3. Genito-urinary cancers
    - 2.1.4. Gynecologic cancers
    - 2.1.5. Head and neck cancers
    - 2.1.6. Lymphoma/hematologic cancers
    - 2.1.7. Neurologic cancers
    - 2.1.8. Sarcoma
    - 2.1.9. Skin cancers
    - 2.1.10. Thoracic cancers

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2.1.11. Thyroid cancers

2.1.12. Pediatric radiation oncology

2.2. A minimum of one block in a community-based radiation oncology practice

3. A minimum of six (6) blocks of selectives:

3.1. Additional clinical training in Radiation Oncology

3.2. Research or scholarly project

3.3. Approved course of training relevant to Radiation Oncology and acceptable to the program director

**NOTES:**

Applicants who have completed residency training in Family Medicine, acceptable to the College of Family Physicians of Canada for residency-eligibility for their examinations, may be granted up to eighteen (18) blocks' credit (twelve (12) blocks in Section 1 and six (6) blocks in Section 3.3), with the approval of the director of an accredited training program in Radiation Oncology.

Royal College certification in Radiation Oncology requires all of the following:

1. Successful completion of a 5-year Royal College accredited program in Radiation Oncology;
2. Completion of a minimum of one scholarly project that is suitable for peer reviewed publication or presentation at a national academic meeting, as attested by the program director; and
3. Successful completion of the certification examination in Radiation Oncology.

The 5-year program outlined above is to be regarded as the minimum training requirement. Additional training may be required by the program director to ensure that clinical competence has been achieved.

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