



Forensic Psychiatry Residency Education Faculty Newsletter

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Welcome to the 11th issue of our Forensic Psychiatry Residency Program newsletter! Now that our accreditation review is complete, we are transitioning the newsletter into a quarterly communication. We will still utilize this forum to keep you informed of accreditation news, but we will expand our content to focus on all aspects of the program. We hope you will continue to enjoy the newsletter on a quarterly basis.

Welcoming our New Residents – Dr. Edwin Chow and Dr. Shuying Zheng

Dr. Edwin Chow, PGY6 Resident



I am a Vancouver resident originally from Ontario, although I have long since fallen in love with all that BC has to offer. I completed the Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours Program at McMaster University before receiving my medical degree at the University of Toronto. Some of my early special interests include violence risk assessments and youth forensic psychiatry, but I am equally excited to learn about the rest of this fascinating field. When I'm not at work, you can usually find me unwinding on the tennis courts or snowboarding down the Whistler slopes. Just as I have come to call BC my home, I look forward to become a part of this community.

Dr. Shuying Zheng, PGY6 Resident



I am excited to join the UBC Forensic Psychiatry program after completing my residency in my hometown of Ottawa. I come to BC with my two cats and plethora of musical instruments; these days, I've been learning to play guqin, a traditional Chinese 7-stringed zither. When I'm not at work, I spend my time reading fantasy, knitting, or writing fiction and poetry. I have a passion for the written word that even long and technical report writing can't stifle! I look forward to the inspiration that the beauty of BC will no doubt provide. In my work life, I am particularly interested in autism spectrum disorder in normal-IQ adults, sexual behaviors, cultural psychiatry, and homicide. I also wish to continue my disability advocacy, as I speak openly about my own disability and how it interacts with my medical training. I hope to learn as much as I can from a new location and group of supervisors; this is my first time moving out of Ontario and I am excited for the upcoming adventure!

Accreditation

The Forensic Psychiatry Subspecialty Program has received an official status of Accredited Program with Follow-Up by Action Plan Outcomes Report (**APOR**) (due 2026). We thank everyone for their hard work, collegiality and collaboration in making this accreditation status attainable.

As we have received an **APOR** status, follow-up requires submission of evidence to the Royal College demonstrating that the identified AFI-2Y have been addressed, due by May 31, 2025. In order to ensure that our program has sufficient time to implement these plans, our completed preliminary proposal should be returned to the PGME Accreditation Team no later than Friday, May 3, 2025.

We will reach out as necessary to relevant parties to ensure successful completion of the document.



Academic Day Scheduling

We sincerely thank our clinical faculty for their involvement with the Forensic Division and the Department of Psychiatry at UBC. We appreciate your valuable teaching contribution. In the interest of establishing recruitment for the 2024-2025 Forensic Psychiatry PGY6 Academic Day Teaching, we are reaching out to lecturers regarding availability for upcoming Academic Day lectures which have not been confirmed. We would be grateful if you can confirm your availability at your earliest convenience by replying to the email. Please note that Academic Day lectures will be recorded, unless the lecturer explicitly states that they should not be due to confidentiality or other valid reasons.

Compensation for the repeat delivery of your session will be offered according to the Clinical Faculty Agreement (including the maximum 1 hour of preparation time). If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.



RPC Roundup

The Residency Program Committee most recently met on Thursday, March 14, 2024, 12-1pm.

General summary of the last meeting:

- We have accepted 2 Forensic residents for the incoming 2024-2025 Academic Year.
- We reviewed several important documents such as the Resident Wellness Terms of Reference, Educational Rounds Guidelines, Educational Rounds Review Checklist and Scholarly Activity Project Objectives.
- We will send out the Competencies (formerly Objectives of Training) to supervisors for revision.
- We plan to add an Academic Lecture on Neuropsychology.
- The upcoming Residency Program Committee will be on Thursday, June 20, 2024, 12-1pm.

If you have any input for RPC, please contact any member.

FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY RESIDENCY PROGRAM COMMITTEE (RPC) MEMBERS:

Voting Members	
Dr. Kulwant Riar (Chair)	Forensic Psychiatry Subspecialty Program Director
Dr. Barinder Singh	Forensic Psychiatry Subspecialty Associate Program Director
Dr. Emlene Murphy	Division Head, Forensic Psychiatry
Dr. Kulwant Riar	Youth Forensic Representative
Dr. Barinder Singh	Forensic Psychiatric Hospital (FPH) Representative
Dr. Sophie Anhoury	Forensic Psychiatric Hospital (FPH) Representative
Dr. David Morgan	Civil Forensic Psychiatry Representative

Dr. Tyler Oswald	Outpatient Clinic Representative
Dr. Robert Lacroix	Corrections Representative
Dr. Tyler Schwaiger	Forensic Psychiatry PGY6 Subspecialty Resident
Dr. Sophie Anhoury	Competence Committee Representative
Non-Voting Members	
Dr. Tonia Nicholls	Forensic Psychiatry – Research Lead
Eva Angelopoulos	Senior Education Programs Manager
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Continuous Quality Improvement



This quarter our CQI focus is on Program Organization. Specifically, we are examining **Standard 4**: The delivery and administration of the residency program are supported by appropriate resources. Elements include ensuring teachers facilitate residents' attainment of competencies and/or objectives and ensuring an effective system of resident assessment.

To review that 1) teachers facilitate residents' attainment of competencies and/or objectives, we can review the Hidden Curriculum discussion.

To ensure that there is an 2) effective system of resident assessment, we can review the resident assessment process, learning plan and assessment methods.

Stay Tuned...

In our next issue, we will delve into further information regarding CaRMS Selections.

Questions?

If you have any questions regarding the information here or around the Forensic Psychiatry Program in general, please feel free to contact any of the following members of the team:

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Upcoming Events

Research Day



Department of Psychiatry Annual Research Day

Date: June 13, 2024

Format: Hybrid – In-Person and Zoom

Location: UBC LSC, 2350 Health Sciences Mall

Rooms: West Atrium & Lecture Theatre 3

Those who are in remote locations and/or are not able to join in person may attend all presentations virtually via Zoom. Please follow the instructions below:

Step 1: Open <https://ubc.zoom.us/> and click on 'Join a Meeting'.

Step 2: Enter the Zoom Meeting ID **92046 953122** then click 'Join.'

Step 3: If you have the Zoom client click 'Open Zoom Meetings,' otherwise, click 'join from your browser.'

Step 4: Enter **Passcode 953122** then click 'Join Meeting.'

Link: <https://psychiatry.ubc.ca/research/2024-research-day/>

Conference



Forensic APA Conference

Date: May 4-8, 2024

Format: In-Person – New York City

Link:

https://www.psychiatry.org/annualmeeting?gclid=CjwKCAiA5L2tBhBTEiwAdSxJXz7Mp94214_1HcRAvbi0APMOIP_3viAzOyfQX2zLNwkEYjUpaYh5EhoCwe8QAvD_BwE

Education Day



Forensic Psychiatry Education Day

Date: May 31, 2024

Format: In-Person at UBC Robson Square and virtually via Zoom

Registration will open in April 2024

Meetings



Competence Committee Meeting

Date: June 13, 2024

Format: Online via Zoom

Participants: Competence Committee Members

Residency Program Committee (RPC) Meeting

Date: June 20, 2024

Format: Online via Zoom

Participants: Forensic Psychiatry RPC Members

Faculty Resources

[Entrada Communities](#)

[Department resources](#)

[Royal College resources](#)

[PGME resources](#)

If you have trouble accessing any of these resources, please contact kyna.ng@ubc.ca.

