

Department of Medicine

The Department of Medicine invites applications for a full-time academic gastroenterologist to serve as Head, Division of Gastroenterology to be based at the Ottawa Hospital.

Position Title:	Head, Division of Gastroenterology		
Location of Work:	The Ottawa Hospital		
Location Address:	The Ottawa Hospital, Civic Campus		
Posting Date:	August 24, 2022	Closing Date:	October 28, 2022
Salary:	TBD	Start Date:	July 1, 2023

The Department of Medicine of the University of Ottawa and the Ottawa Hospital is looking for a visionary leader with excellence in academic and clinical leadership to be its next Head of the Division of Gastroenterology.

The ideal candidate will be a nationally/ internationally respected leader and scholar, with advanced interpersonal skills and excellent qualifications in education, research, and clinical care. The individual will establish an overarching vision and strategic direction for the Division. The vision for Gastroenterology must advance innovative care models, strengthen capacity in research, and include a strong commitment to build on the current academic successes, including post graduate education.

The next Gastroenterology Division Head will join an outstanding and diverse team of 19 staff gastroenterologists, as well as residents and subspecialty fellows. They will be a leader who brings a passion for and commitment to the tripartite missions of excellence in patient care, innovative education, and research. As the major gastroenterology referral centre for the greater Ottawa region, the Division provides comprehensive care in the areas of inflammatory bowel diseases, hepatology, therapeutic endoscopy, nutrition, and motility. The Division provides inpatient and outpatient consultative and endoscopy services in all areas of gastroenterology and has a small inpatient ward for IBD and post-endoscopy complications. Most division members have received advanced subspecialty training and several members have a strong track record of research funding and are highly skilled in health services research, quality improvement science, translational research, and research methods. Education has always been a major focus of the Division, including undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, as well as the delivery of local, national and international continuing medical education. Division members hold leadership positions in regional and provincial endoscopy and colorectal cancer screening programs.

The successful candidate must hold an MD degree; be a member of, or be eligible to be a member of, the Canadian Medical Protective Association; have, or be eligible for certification in Gastroenterology by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and have, or be eligible for, licensure in Ontario.

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The University of Ottawa and The Ottawa Hospital are bilingual institutions and therefore in the case of potentially successful candidates of equal ability, a bilingual (French/English) candidate would be preferred.

The Division Head is accountable to the Chair/Head of the Department of Medicine in fulfilling the mission, vision and goals of the Department, the Hospital, and the Faculty, in particular as they relate to the Division. The Division Head holds a joint appointment as the Division Head for academics (university) and Division Head for clinical services (hospital).

The Division head is part of the leadership team of the Department of Medicine. As such, the Division Head will work with department, hospital, and faculty leadership. This role will require an average of one to two days per week for administrative activities and approximately three to four days per week for clinical, academic and/or research activities. The Division Head will collaborate with the Department Chair/Head to set annual goals and objectives.

The position of Division Head is a five-year term appointment with the possibility of reappointment for an additional five-year term. Extension of the appointment for a second term is based on achieving the goals and objectives as defined by the Chair/Head of the Department of Medicine and being recommended by a Review Committee.

The income for this position is derived from a variety of sources including but not limited to clinical billings (fee-for-service), salary support (AFP) as well as honorariums/stipends. Health and welfare benefits including extended health, dental and disability insurance as well as life insurance are offered to full-time physicians.

The Ottawa Hospital is a 1150 bed tertiary-care hospital serving Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec at four inpatient sites (Civic, General, Heart Institute, and the Rehabilitation Centre) and one ambulatory centre (Riverside). There are approximately 50,000 inpatient admissions, 160,000 emergency visits and over one million outpatient visits annually.

The Ottawa Hospital Research Institute (OHRI) is TOH's research arm. It ranks fourth out of more than 600 Canadian hospitals for competitive, peer-reviewed grants from the prestigious Canadian Institutes of Health Research. OHRI houses over 2,200 researchers, publishing more than 2,000 studies yearly, with hundreds being high impact publications (top 10% or citations) and places 5th overall in Canada for research funding.

The Department of Medicine is a research-intensive Department. Members currently hold 28 University Research Chairs. The Department receives approximately \$60 million per year in external research funding and members publish approximately 1200 peer-reviewed publications annually.

The Faculty of Medicine is a nationally recognized leader, ranked among Canada's top-tier medical faculties. The Faculty ranks 3rd in Canada for research intensity in Medicine/Science (Maclean's)

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and 4th in Canada for citations (2022 THE rankings). The University of Ottawa is the largest bilingual (English-French) university in the world and the first and largest bilingual medical school in Canada. The Faculty of Medicine has a long history of conducting the highest quality basic and clinical research, in close partnership with affiliated hospitals and research institutes. The Web of Science recently published a list of the most highly cited researchers in the world, where seven out of eight researchers identified from the uOttawa are from the Faculty of Medicine. Together, these remarkable achievements are a strong testament to the competitiveness and excellence of our Faculty.

The City of Ottawa provides a thriving multicultural and bilingual environment. Ottawa boasts numerous cultural activities as well as readily accessible sporting and natural resources, making it an ideal family and healthy living environment.

The Department of Medicine is committed to ensuring equity, diversity and inclusion in our work environment. We strongly encourage applications from Indigenous persons, visible minorities members (racialized persons), persons with disabilities, women, as well as from all qualified candidates with the skills and knowledge to productively engage with equitable, diverse, and inclusive communities. We encourage qualified applicants from all groups with historical and/or current barriers to equity to apply. Upon request, accommodations due to a disability are available throughout the recruitment process.

Please note Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. We sincerely thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please forward a 1-2 page letter outlining your vision for the Division of Gastroenterology, 3 references (who will not be contacted without permission) and a CV to Dr Greg Knoll, Chair/Head Department of Medicine The Ottawa Hospital and University of Ottawa at domcareers@toh.ca.