



VCH/PHC PHARMACY SERVICES
Residency Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes

DATE/TIME: 4DEC07, 1300h-1500h **LOCATION:** 865 W.10th, Mtg room #1, VGH Campus
CHAIR: P. Loewen **MINUTES:** P. Loewen
PRESENT: Peter Loewen, Zahra Kanji, Anar Dossa, Mark Collins, Mark Roberts, Mike Legal
REGRETS: Robin Ensom, Marianna Leung, Sean Gorman, Shahileen Remtulla

#	Item (Person)	Comments / Action Items
1.0	Minutes review (17SEP07)	-approved
2.0	Update on current status of residency program (All) -status of current residents -CHPRB Accreditation Survey debrief -applicant pool for 2008-09 -JumpStart® program -number of residents for 2008-09 -scheduling “crises” -AHD update (ML) -comments/questions/other updates from members	Jumpstart: PL presented the “contracted service” version of the JumpStart program [post-meeting note: this is NOT the version being implemented for the June 2008 group]: Group comments: -the tone of group was mostly negative -from an academic/experiential learning/training perspective: perceived as counterproductive, heavy handed, contributory to mediocrity rather than excellence (of candidates, therefore program) -from a labour-supply perspective: revealing of a suboptimal work environment, discouraging of best quality candidates, introducing challenges with providing quality employment for the candidates, retention of undesirable ones, delaying departure rather than changing the overall labour pool dynamic -the group was uncomfortable with JumpStart seeming to put the ResProg solely in the light of a labour supply program rather than one with a significant academic and credential-able component -it was noted that the CHPRBs current and proposed standards are silent on this issue -consideration for an alternate duration (eg, 18mos) was proposed -Post-meeting update from PL: following interviews of 37 candidates, JumpStart (non-contractual) was generally well received by candidates; the interview team believed it provided a useful pretext to filter out candidates who have intentions incompatible with 2 years of working for VCH-PHC post-residency or pursuing PharmD
	Strategic Plans & Activities (All) -proposed adjustments to composition of the program for 2008-09	-residents occasionally comment that various rotations could be shorter (eg, MUM, DrugDistn, others). This is useful feedback for optimizing the activities within those rotations. Recommendations/expectations that shortening of rotations will lead to more DPC rotations are not realistic since the ability to offer more DPC rotations is likely to lead to us training MORE residents rather than offering more rotations per resident. [our current 27 weeks of DPC rotations is at or above the BC typical allocation]

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		-the Evidence-Based Pharmacotherapy and Pharmacokinetics rotation will be compressed from 3 to 2 weeks total next summer. This will create an additional PROJECT week for residents (total=6 [max allowed per CHPRB=10])
5.0	Roundtable / Other Issues	PL will be pursuing representation on RAC from Richmond, in accordance with pursuing more involvement in the program by that HSDA.
6.0	Next Meeting: Tues, 4MAR08, 1300-1500h, 865 W.10th	FYI