# UBC Department of Family Practice Rural Scholars Program

## Rural Scholar Position Description

## **Position Summary**

The UBC Department of Family Practice in partnership with the Rural Co-ordination Centre of British Columbia is offering opportunities for established clinicians in British Columbia to develop experience and skills in Rural Scholarship through the Rural Scholars Program. Suitable applicants will be in active clinical practice based in rural areas of the province.

## Responsibilities

#### The Rural Scholars Program:

- Will provide support for up to one day per week to engage in scholarly work relevant to rural health in British Columbia.
- Will appoint Rural Scholars for one year, renewable annually by mutual agreement and satisfactory appraisal for up to three years.
- Will provide additional support to provide scholarship training, including enrolment in academic programs and travel support.

### The Rural Scholar:

- Will report to the Director, Rural Scholars Program
- Will develop and execute a scholarly project of relevance to rural health in British Columbia
- Will develop relationships with undergraduate health students and residents to encourage rural career choices this may include mentoring and supervision of projects.
- Will provide academic leadership in their locality, including participating on relevant groups and committees.
- Will disseminate their scholarly work through publication, presentation and other methods of knowledge translation

### Qualifications

- Practicing physician and membership of an appropriate professional society.
- Membership to, and certificate from, the College of Family Physicians of Canada or other equivalent professional body.
- Administrative and educational experience.
- Demonstrated ability in teaching and working with residents.
- Ability to work in a rural area.