HSC Clinical Fellowship Info Sheet

The Huntington Society of Canada (HSC) is pleased to offer the Clinical Fellowship program (Fellowship) as a strategic initiative encouraging promising young neurologists to enter into clinical training in Huntington disease (HD). This fellowship of \$80,000 will fund a one-year clinical training award and the program will run for five years. The purpose of this post-residency training is to create expertise in the diagnosis and management of HD. Clinical training is the largest component of this hands-on program (at least 80 per cent) but the Fellowship could include an element of research. However, applications to the Fellowship will be evaluated solely on the clinical component.

The Clinical Fellowship award was made possible via a donation by Dr. Mark Guttman and his wife, Lesley Simpson. Dr. Guttman, who retired at the end of August 2021, is one of the leading neurologists in the country specializing in Huntington disease in both research and clinical fields. There is a shortage of neurologists in Canada trained to manage HD patients and their families. Without a dedicated initiative to stimulate interest in the field of HD, the shortage of neurologists with expertise in HD care will only continue or worsen. Dr. Guttman wants to help fill the gap with this program.

For this year, the application deadline is February 29, 2024. Decisions will be announced on March 29, 2024, and funding will commence July 1, 2024. Subsequent years will follow similar timelines. More details about the program and the application are available on the HSC website.

HSC wishes to ensure that each Canadian with HD receives appropriate medical expertise, drug treatment, support services, continuous care, educational resources, respect, dignity, help and hope. This Fellowship is an important component of HSC's plan to achieve its goal of ensuring that these critical elements in the day-to-day management of HD are accessible and available. The intent of the program is to encourage more neurologists to have a HD practice in Canada. The selection of the successful applicant and administration of the Fellowship are the responsibility of HSC.

Thank you in advance for your interest. If you have any questions, please contact either:

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