

RURAL ROTATION TRAINING

If a resident is interested in completing a rural rotation during their elective period, there is funding for placement in a rural Alberta location through the Alberta Rural Physician Action Plan (RPAP). Further information can be found on their website at:

Website:

<http://www.rpap.ab.ca/>

In order to encourage rural practice and to provide a positive experience in rural Alberta, the RPAP promotes the concept of medical students and residents taking part of their training in a rural or regional community. With RPAP funding and support both the University of Calgary and the University of Alberta encourage medical students and residents (Family Medicine and Royal College) to do mandatory and elective rotations with rural and regional preceptors.

For medical students and residents, the RPAP provides funding for accommodation and travel according to its reimbursement guidelines (See Policies and Procedures under the Publications and Forms section of the RPAP website), and an honorarium for the preceptors. The RPAP also reimburses the registration fees for ATLS certification and ACLS recertification for Family Medicine residents who undertake a rural rotation during their second year.

Reimbursement Guideline Link:

<http://www.rpap.ab.ca/images/upload/RPAP%20Rural%20Rotations%20Reimbursement%20Guidelines%20REVISED%2020Mar2006.pdf>

The preceptors in each of the training sites have a direct link to the university they are affiliated with and are supported through RPAP-funded faculty development and on-site visits.

Information on the available accommodation may be found by logging into the Accommodation section with

Username: accommodation

Password: accommodation

Accommodations Link:

<https://webmail.rpap.ab.ca/exchweb/bin/auth/owalogon.asp?url=https://webmail.rpap.ab.ca/public&reason=0>

Further information about rural education experiences (mandatory rotations and electives) for medical students and Family Medicine and Royal College residents may be obtained from:

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