

Registration

The course is open to licensed physicians across Canada who have completed the Foundation Course Part A.

Registration information including important dates and tuition fees is available on the course website:

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Course Description

The Part B Foundation Course in Occupational Medicine, developed by the University of Alberta Division of Preventive Medicine, is a distance learning course designed to build upon the Foundation Course Part A. While Part A aims to provide knowledge and skills in the areas of occupational medicine encountered in family medicine and other community based clinical practice, Part B is intended for physicians who wish to work in and with industry.

The course involves 94 hours of instruction, including monthly tutorials, two one-day work-shops and a day shadowing an experienced work-place physician. The program is designed to be taken part-time and to be completed within 8 months.

In 2016-17 the Foundation Course Part B was accredited by the College of Family Physicians for 94 Mainpro + credits.

Physicians who have completed Parts A and B of the Foundation Course in Occupational Medicine and have been awarded certificates of completion are eligible to write the Associate Membership (ACBOM) examination of the Canadian Board of Occupational Medicine (CBOM).

Course Objectives

By the end of the course the participating physician will be able to:

1. understand the different ways in which occupational health practice operates within a business environment, the individuals and groups who impact on occupational health, the legal and ethical framework in which such services operate, the advantages and disadvantages of different models of provision, and the role of the physician in such services;
2. know how to recognize, diagnose, and manage within the workplace common types of work-related injury and illness;
3. know how to identify the hazards present in a workplace, including performing a walk through survey, and how to prioritise and plan to control exposures where needed so as to minimise risk to workers;
4. understand the principles and practice of providing health surveillance and other workplace based programs for the protection of workers' health;
5. appreciate not only the importance of prevention in the workplace as a way of minimising health impacts from workplace hazards, but also how health promotion activities in the workplace can improve the health of workers;
6. know how to review and critically evaluate information sources available in occupational medicine so as to be able to advise interested parties including managers, and workers on the importance of these to the business which they are advising.

Schedule

The program includes six modules, each supplemented by tutorials and two face-to-face workshops.

Participants in the course also participate in a one-day shadowing experience with a workplace physician to gain practical insights.

**Shadowing will be scheduled individually*

Module 1	Managing Occupational Health in the Workplace
Module 2	Occupational Hazards
Module 3	Health Surveillance and Other Programs
Face-to-face workshop	The Physician in the Workplace I
Module 4	Occupational Disease and Injury
Module 5	Healthy Workplace – Healthy Workers
Module 6	Making Sense of Data
Face-to-face workshop	The Physician in the Workplace II