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Occupational Medicine Clinic

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The clinic was established in Jan. 2009, housed in the Dept of Medicine.

It is a consultation service for community physicians, workers, WorkSafeBC and UBC faculty, staffed by physicians who specialize in Occupational Medicine.

Clinic consultants provide evaluations of the risks emanating from chemical, physical or biological hazards in the workplace environment as well as guidance on looking after the occupational health and wellbeing of B.C. workers.

In addition to calling the receptionist at 604-875-5706, you will find some additional information at:

http://www.vch.ca/find_services/find_services/?&program_id=10438

Brief bios of providers:

Doug Hamm, MD, CCFP, FRCPC, FCBOM

Doug Hamm received his MD degree from Queen's University and is residency trained in Family Medicine (CCFP) and Occupational Medicine (FRCPC). He has a private practice in occupational medicine consulting in Victoria, BC where he is an instructor in the Island Medical Program at the University of Victoria. Dr. Hamm has certification in Occupational Medicine from the Canadian Board of Occupational Medicine (FCBOM) and has chaired the CBOM Examination Committee for the past ten years. He is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine at UBC.

Fariba Kaboli, MD , FRCPC (occupational medicine)

Fariba Kaboli, received her MD from Tehran University, Iran in 1997, and her FRCPC, specialty training in Occupational Medicine from University of Alberta in 2005. She has been working in private practice in Vancouver, since 2005. She works as consultant occupational physician for OHSAH (Occupational Health and Safety for Healthcare in BC), and is a Clinical Instructor at the Department of Medicine at UBC. Her areas of interest include: Occupational skin and respiratory diseases, occupational disease monitoring and prevention.



Tim Takaro, MD, MPH, MS. FACOEM (occupational medicine)

Dr. Takaro is a physician-scientist and Associate Professor in the Faculty of Health Sciences at Simon Fraser University where he is Associate Dean for Research. His research examines linkages between occupational or environmental exposures and disease, and tests public health based preventive solutions to reduce such risks. Over the past several years his focus has been on gene-environment interactions and risk reduction interventions in beryllium disease and childhood asthma. He is also on the faculty of the University of British Columbia and the University of Washington. His clinical interests are in environmental lung disease and other toxicant related illnesses.

Michael Yamanaka, MD, MSc. FRCPC (occupational medicine)

Michael Yamanaka completed his MD from the University of British Columbia, 1995, MSc, Public Health Sciences, University of Alberta, 2000, and his FRCPC, speciality training in Occupational Medicine, University of Alberta, 2000. Dr. Yamanaka is presently the Assistant Medical Director, Workplace Health and Safety, BC Public Service Agency and an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Medicine at UBC. His main areas of interest include: occupational rehabilitation, medical fitness examination for work, and return to work evaluation.

Sami Youakim, M D, MSc., CCPF, FRCPC (occupational medicine)

Dr. Youakim is the Director of the Occupational Medicine Clinic. He is an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Medicine at UBC as well as Associate member of the School of Population and Public Health. He obtained his medical degree from McGill University in 1987 and a MSc Occupational and Environmental Health from McGill in 1998. He completed his specialty training in Occupational Medicine in 2001 at the University of Alberta. He moved to BC in 2004 and presently works as an occupational medicine consultant in private practice. Areas of interest include: occupational respiratory diseases, occupational cancer, hand-arm vibration syndrome, occupational disease screening, exposure monitoring, and prevention.