

Anesthesia for Bariatric Surgery Fellowship

Duration: 1 year

Fellowship Supervisors: Dr. T. Schricker, Dr. S.B. Backman

Name of Hospital: Royal Victoria Hospital and Lachine Hospital

Clinical Experience: Provision of peri-operative medical & anesthesia care for morbidly obese patients undergoing minimally invasive gastric bypass under general anesthesia. Fellow will have the opportunity to experience emergency cases as they are expected to provide call coverage.

Research: The candidate will have an opportunity to spend 40% of his/her time engaged in clinical research related to the peri-operative care of morbidly obese gastric bypass patients. Studies will focus on development of clinical pathways that expedite patient recovery and hospital discharge.

Mission Statement: The objective is to train anesthesiologists in all facets of peri-operative and anesthesia care for morbidly obese patients undergoing general anesthesia. The emphasis is to have patients in superior physical, nutritional and psychological condition preoperatively (pre-habilitation) and to provide state of the art anesthesia care intra-operatively that is carried on in the postoperative period so that postoperative complications such as nausea & vomiting, pain, and respiratory depression are minimized while recovery and mobilization are enhanced. The candidate will develop a unique clinical skill set & comprehensive academic knowledge to deal with the challenges of providing anesthesia care to morbidly obese patients. The candidate will also acquire the skill of how to employ clinical research techniques to measure the effectiveness of the peri-operative management on patient recovery.