

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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OVERVIEW & DEADLINES

Thank you for your interest in the Dalhousie University Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (CAP) Subspecialty training program. We are currently accepting applications for a **July 1, 2025** start date of your PGY-6 year (residents will start CAP training during their PGY-5 year on July 1, 2024, but at present, are still technically considered to be in their general psychiatry program until the completion of that year).

Please submit your completed application to Adrienne McCarthy, Program Administrator, by **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023; 11:59PM ADT** (see contact information below).

PROGRAM DETAILS

The Dalhousie University Child and Adolescent Psychiatry program is designed to be a two-year training program within the new Competence By Design (CBD) framework of the Royal College (for more information on CBD please go to: <https://www.royalcollege.ca/rcsite/cbd/competence-by-design-cbd-e>):

- **First Year: PGY-5**
 - You will complete at least 6 months of your PGY-5 year of training at your home university and the remainder at Dalhousie University (up to 6 months).
 - We will work with your home program to ensure that your training will meet both the requirements of your general psychiatry residency program and the Child & Adolescent Psychiatry subspecialty residency program
 - All CAP residency programs in Canada are following the CBD framework which includes certain uniform requirements for clinical rotations/academic experiences, as detailed in the attached Royal College Required Training Experiences document (2021, v1)
 - The PGY-5 year is designed to include the following stages of training: Transition to Discipline, Foundations, and some portion of the Core (which continues in the PGY-6 year). However, CBD is structured such that residents may need more or less time in specific stages.

- **Second Year: PGY-6**
 - You will complete your PGY-6 year of training at Dalhousie University
 - The clinical and academic experiences will continue to be in-line with the Royal College Required Training Experiences document (2021, v1) and more details on the structure are available on request.
 - The PGY-6 year is designed to include the following stages of training: a portion of Core, and Transition to Practice.
 - At Dalhousie, the majority of Transition to Practice can be elective – clinical and/or academic focused – as worked out with the Program Director to meet one’s own personal development goals.

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HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Please submit your completed application to Adrienne McCarthy, Program Administrator, by **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023; 11:59PM ADT**. You may submit your application:

By email: CAP@iwk.nshealth.ca

Fax: (902) 470-7893; Please include a cover page sent to the attention of Adrienne McCarthy

By mail: IWK Health Centre, 4Link Psychiatry
Room L4122, 4th Floor, Link Building
5980 University Avenue, Halifax, NS, B3K 6R8

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Please be aware that a complete application must include **ALL** of the following items:

- A letter of intent/personal statement** (maximum 750 words): areas to cover should include, but are not limited to, your interest in the subspecialty, your interest in the specific program you are applying to, your suitability as an applicant, and your possible career goals.
- A completed and signed **application form**
- A copy of your **current CV**: List appointments or positions, including residencies, since graduation. List chronologically, giving dates, names of hospitals and specialty, etc. Also list publications, etc.
- A **letter of Good standing from either your Program Director** (if you are a current resident at Dalhousie University) or the **Postgraduate Dean** (if you are a non-Dalhousie resident)
- Official medical school transcript** confirming MD convocation
- A copy of your **Medical Degree**
- Copies of your **General or Educational License**
- THREE letters of reference**: It is recommended that at least one letter be from a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist. Please have letters sent directly by your referees to Ms. Adrienne McCarthy (see contact information above).
- If applicable.* Have you passed the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons Psychiatry Specialty Examination? If yes, please enclose **a clear photocopy of your results**.
- If applicable.* **Immigration Status**: If you are residing in Canada with immigration documents you must supply evidence of your work permit or permanent resident status. Changes to status from permanent resident to Canadian citizen must be evidenced by documentation
- If applicable.* **Language**: Dalhousie University requires all applicants to be eligible to register for a license in all provinces in which the program requires training. Both the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Nova Scotia and College of Physicians and Surgeons of Prince Edward Island have specific regulations regarding English language proficiency for physicians with MDs from outside of Canada. Please click here for details:
<http://medicine.dal.ca/departments/core-units/postgraduate/admissions/international-med-grads.html>