

## Provincial Retinal Diseases Treatment Program

**Health providers and optometrists can refer new patients directly to a Program retinal specialist for diagnosis and treatment.** This is a list of the Retinal Specialist clinics with their contact information and locations.

Under the Provincial Health Authority Provincial Retinal Diseases Treatment Program (PRDTP), drug therapy coverage is provided for a number of retinal eye diseases including wet Age-Related Macular Degeneration (AMD), Diabetic Macular Edema (DME) and Retinal Vein Occlusion (RVO) which includes Central Retinal Vein Occlusion (CRVO) and Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion (BRVO) when prescribed and administered by Program retinal specialists.

Under the PRDTP drug coverage is provided at no cost to patients.

Drugs and indications covered under the Provincial Retinal Diseases Treatment Program:

| Drug Therapy                                  | Indication                        |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Bevacizumab (Avastin®)                        | wet AMD, DME, RVO (CRVO and BRVO) |
| Aflibercept (Eylea®)                          | wet AMD, DME, RVO (CRVO and BRVO) |
| Ranibizumab (Lucentis®)                       | wet AMD, DME, RVO (CRVO and BRVO) |
| Verteporfin (Visudyne®)/Photo Dynamic Therapy | wet AMD                           |

Please note:

- **Drug therapy for other retinal disease indications (other than wet AMD, DME, and RVO) are not covered.**
- **Retinal specialist services are available in all regional health authorities.** As is currently the case, some patient travel within a health authority may be required. Access for patients will continue to be monitored in collaboration with regional health authorities and retinal specialists. Improvements will be made where reasonable to do so.
- **Drug safety and effectiveness will continue to be monitored and evaluated as a part of the ongoing program administration.**

Should you have any questions, please contact the Provincial Retinal Diseases Treatment Program at 260 – 1770 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5J 4Y6 or email [psp@phsa.ca](mailto:psp@phsa.ca) or call (250) 519-5729.

## Provincial Retinal Diseases Treatment Program: Retinal Specialist Contact Information

| Health Authority    | City                   | Retinal Specialist  | Phone  | Address  |
|---------------------|------------------------|---|--|--|
| <b>Interior</b>     | <b>Cranbrook</b>       | Dr. Lica Chui   | 604-875-6985                                       | Cranbrook Hospital, 13-24 <sup>th</sup> Avenue N., Cranbrook |
|                     | <b>Kamloops</b>        | Dr. Peter Hopp  | 250-314-1073                                       | 207-321 Nicola Street, Kamloops                              |
|                     | <b>Kelowna</b>         | Dr. Malvinder Hoonjan   | 250-860-3937                                       | 301-550 West Avenue, Kelowna                                 |
|                     |                        | Dr. Kevin Ramsey  | 250-979-2060                                       | 200-1634 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna                              |
|                     |                        | Dr. Aaron Joe   | 778-484-7088                                       | 110-3030 Pandosy Street, Kelowna                             |
|                     | <b>Nelson</b>          | Dr. Malvinder Hoonjan   | 250-860-3937                                       | Kootenay Lake Hospital, 3 View Street, Nelson                |
|                     |                        | Rotating Retinal Specialist<br>Lead Physician:<br>Dr. Lica Chui | Nelson Clinic:<br>250-354-2323<br><br>604-875-6985 |  |
|                     | <b>Salmon Arm</b>      | Dr. Hussein Hollands  | 250-549-4362                                       | 135A-1151 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue SW, Salmon Arm             |
|                     | <b>Vernon</b>          | Dr. Hussein Hollands  | 250-549-4362                                       | 200-3100 30 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vernon                     |
| <b>Fraser</b>       | <b>Abbotsford</b>      | Dr. Dhar Dhanda   | 604-521-4144                                       | 120-2151 McCallum Road, Abbotsford                           |
|                     |                        | Dr. Robert Gizicki  |  |  |
|                     |                        | Dr. Simon Lam   |  |  |
|                     |                        | Dr. Steve Levasseur   |  |  |
|                     |                        | Dr. Leah Wittenberg   |  |  |
|                     | <b>Burnaby</b>         | Dr. Dennis Bhui   | 236-598-8343                                       | 305-4885 Kingsway, Burnaby                                   |
|                     |                        | Dr. Michael Butler  | 604-484-9100                                       | 302-5050 Kingsway, Burnaby                                   |
|                     | <b>New Westminster</b> | Dr. Dhar Dhanda   | 604-521-4144                                       | 200-555 Sixth Street, New Westminster                        |
| Dr. Robert Gizicki  |                        |   |  |  |
| Dr. Simon Lam       |                        |   |  |  |
| <b>Surrey</b>       | Dr. David Albiani      | 604-875-1661  | 120-5477 152 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Surrey          |  |
|                     | Dr. Andrew Kirker      |   |  |  |
|                     | Dr. Andrew Merkur      |   |  |  |
|                     | Dr. Kaivon Vaezi       |   |  |  |
|                     | Dr. Bryon McKay        |   |  |  |
| Dr. Dhar Dhanda     | 604-521-4144           | 302-13737 96 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Surrey                       |  |  |
| Dr. Robert Gizicki  |                        |   |  |  |
| Dr. Simon Lam       |                        |   |  |  |
| Dr. Steve Levasseur |                        |   |  |  |
| Dr. David Ta Kim    |                        |   |  |  |
| Dr. Leah Wittenberg |                        |   |  |  |

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| <b>Fraser<br/>(Continued)</b> | <b>Surrey<br/>(Continued)</b>  | Dr. Dhar Dhanda<br>Dr. Robert Gizicki<br>Dr. Simon Lam<br>Dr. Steve Levasseur<br>Dr. David Ta Kim<br>Dr. Leah Wittenberg | 604-521-4144                  | 300-15230 Highway 10 South, Surrey  |                                   |
| <b>Vancouver Coastal</b>      | <b>North<br/>Vancouver</b>   | Dr. Derek Godinho<br>Dr. Farzin Forooghian   | 604-985-0405                  | 300-1343 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver   |                                   |
|                               | <b>Richmond</b>  | Dr. Michael Butler   | 604-273-4940                  | 350-6628 River Road, Richmond   |                                   |
|                               |  | Dr. Andrew Kirker<br>Dr. Andrew Merkur<br>Dr. Kaivon Vaezi<br>Dr. Bryon McKay  | 604-875-1661                  | 5900 No. 3 Road #678, Richmond  |                                   |
|                               |  | <b>Vancouver</b>   | Dr. Patrick Ma                | 778-379-5545  | 371-550 West Broadway, Vancouver  |
|                               | Dr. Wai-Ching Lam<br>Dr. Zaid Mammo  |  | 604-875-4599                  | VGH Eye Care Centre, 2550 Willow Street, Vancouver                                  |                                   |
|                               | Dr. Wai-Ching Lam  |  | 604-875-9996                  | 614-2525 Willow Street, Vancouver   |                                   |
|                               | Dr. David Albiani<br>Dr. Andrew Kirker<br>Dr. Andrew Merkur<br>Dr. Kaivon Vaezi<br>Dr. Bryon McKay |  | 604-875-1661                  | 205-805 W Broadway, Vancouver<br>VGH Eye Care Centre, 2550 Willow Street, Vancouver |                                   |
|                               | Dr. Lica Chui  |  | 604-875-6985                  | 520-943 W Broadway, Vancouver   |                                   |
|                               | <b>Vancouver Island</b>  | <b>Courtenay</b>   | Dr. Meghan Smith              | 250-334-4030  | 202-1530 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay |
|                               |  | <b>Duncan</b>  | Dr. K. Brett Williams         | 250-748-2922  | 203-300 Brae Road, Duncan         |
| <b>Nanaimo</b>                |  | Dr. Elizabeth Hay<br>Dr. Patrick Ma  | 250-753-3343                  | 201-1650 Terminal Avenue N., Nanaimo  |                                   |
|                               |  | Dr. Henry Chen   | 250-824-1188                  | 206-1650 Terminal Avenue N., Nanaimo  |                                   |
| <b>Victoria</b>               |  | Dr. Murray Erasmus   | 778-265-7520                  | 219-3561 Blanshard Street, Victoria   |                                   |
|                               |  | Dr. Rajinder Nirwan  | 250-598-1252                  | 212-911 Yates Street Victoria   |                                   |
|                               |  | Dr. Daniel Warder  | 778-265-8040                  | 202-911 Yates Street, Victoria  |                                   |
|                               |  | Dr. Tom Zhao   | 250-213-1050                  | 221-3561 Blanshard Street, Victoria   |                                   |
| <b>Northern</b>               | <b>Fort St. John</b>   | Dr. Lica Chui  | 604-875-6985                  | Fort St. John Hospital, 8407-112 Avenue, Fort St. John                              |                                   |
|                               | <b>Prince George</b>   | Dr. Andrew Lukaris   | 250-596-3011                  | 200-1440 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Prince George                                      |                                   |
|                               |  |  |                               | University Hospital of Northern BC<br>1475 Edmonton Street, Prince George           |                                   |
| <b>Terrace</b>                | Dr. Bea Adante   | 250-615-5002   | 101-4634 Park Avenue, Terrace |   |                                   |