

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 7th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5J 4Y6 or email psp@phsa.ca or call (250) 519-5729.

Provincial Retinal Diseases Treatment Program: Retinal Specialist Contact Information

Health Authority	City	Retinal Specialist	Phone	Address
Interior	Cranbrook	Dr. Lica Chui	604-875-6985	Cranbrook Hospital, 13-24 th Avenue N., Cranbrook
	Kelowna	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
	Nelson	Rotating Retinal Specialist Lead Physician: Dr. Lica Chui	Nelson Clinic: 250-354-2323 604-875-6985	Kootenay Lake Hospital, 3 View Street, Nelson
	Salmon Arm	Dr. Hussein Hollands	250-549-4362	135A-1151 10 th Avenue SW, Salmon Arm
	Vernon	Dr. Hussein Hollands	250-549-4362	200-3100 30 th Avenue, Vernon
Fraser	Abbotsford	Dr. Dhar Dhanda Dr. Robert Gizicki Dr. Simon Lam Dr. Steve Levasseur Dr. Leah Wittenberg	604-521-4144	120-2151 McCallum Road, Abbotsford
	Burnaby	Dr. Dennis Bhui	236-598-8343	305-4885 Kingsway, Burnaby
		Dr. Michael Butler	604-484-9100	302-5050 Kingsway, Burnaby
	New Westminster	Dr. Dhar Dhanda Dr. Robert Gizicki Dr. Simon Lam Dr. Steve Levasseur Dr. David Ta Kim Dr. Leah Wittenberg	604-521-4144	200-555 Sixth Street, New Westminster
	Surrey	Dr. David Albiani Dr. Andrew Kirker Dr. Andrew Merkur Dr. Kaivon Vaezi Dr. Bryon McKay	604-875-1661	120-5477 152 nd Street, Surrey
		Dr. Dhar Dhanda Dr. Robert Gizicki Dr. Simon Lam Dr. Steve Levasseur Dr. David Ta Kim Dr. Leah Wittenberg	604-521-4144	302-13737 96 th Avenue, Surrey

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Fraser (Continued)	Surrey (Continued)	Dr. Dhar Dhanda Dr. Robert Gizicki Dr. Simon Lam Dr. Steve Levasseur Dr. David Ta Kim Dr. Leah Wittenberg	604-521-4144	300-15230 Highway 10 South, Surrey
Vancouver Coastal	North Vancouver	Dr. Derek Godinho Dr. Farzin Forooghian	604-985-0405	300-1343 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver
	Richmond	Dr. Michael Butler	604-273-4940	350-6628 River Road, Richmond
		Dr. Andrew Kirker Dr. Andrew Merkur Dr. Kaivon Vaezi Dr. Bryon McKay	604-875-1661	5900 No. 3 Road #678, Richmond
	Vancouver	Dr. Lica Chui	604-875-6985	371-550 West Broadway, Vancouver
		Dr. Wai-Ching Lam 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 Dr. Andrew Kirker Dr. Andrew Merkur Dr. Kaivon Vaezi Dr. Bryon McKay	604-875-1661	205-805 W Broadway, Vancouver
				VGH Eye Care Centre, 2550 Willow Street, Vancouver
Vancouver Island	Courtenay	Dr. Meghan Smith	250-334-4030	202-1530 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay
	Duncan	Dr. K. Brett Williams	250-748-2922	203-300 Brae Road, Duncan
	Nanaimo	Dr. Elizabeth Hay	250-753-3343	201-1650 Terminal Avenue N., Nanaimo
		Dr. Henry Chen	250-824-1188	6-1551 Estevan Road, Nanaimo
	Victoria	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
Northern	Fort St. John	Dr. Lica Chui	604-875-6985	Fort St. John Hospital, 8407-112 Avenue, Fort St. John
	Prince George	Dr. Andrew Lukaris	250-596-3011	200-1440 2 nd Avenue, Prince George
				University Hospital of Northern BC 1475 Edmonton Street, Prince George
	Terrace	Dr. Bea Adante	250-615-5002	101-4634 Park Avenue, Terrace