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## 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>	Rotating Retinal Specialist Lead Physician: Dr. Lica Chui	Nelson Clinic: 250-354-2323  604-875-6985	Kootenay Lake Hospital, 3 View Street, Nelson
	<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 Dr. Robert Gizicki Dr. Simon Lam Dr. Steve Levasseur Dr. Leah Wittenberg	604-521-4144	120-2151 McCallum Road, Abbotsford
	<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 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
	<b>Surrey</b>	Dr. David Albiani Dr. Andrew Kirker Dr. Andrew Merkur Dr. Kaivon Vaezi Dr. Bryon McKay	604-875-1661	120-5477 152 <sup>nd</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Surrey

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<b>Fraser (Continued)</b>	<b>Surrey (Continued)</b>	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	
<b>Vancouver Coastal</b>	<b>North Vancouver</b>	Dr. Derek Godinho 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 Dr. Andrew Merkur Dr. Kaivon Vaezi 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 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	
	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 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 1475 Edmonton Street, Prince George	
<b>Terrace</b>	Dr. Bea Adante	250-615-5002	101-4634 Park Avenue, Terrace		