

Program Goals

- to coordinate neuropsychiatric services across the province in providing the best use of resources, and ensuring patient-centered care
- to extend our skill to all areas of the province in treating complex and difficult neuropsychiatric disorders
- to develop cost-effective services that meet provincial needs
- to improve neuropsychiatric care through education, in-services, conferences and other ways of learning. This includes fellowship training in neuropsychiatry and neuropsychology

Program Objectives

- to maintain a partnership of existing adult neuropsychiatric services in B.C. These include UBC Hospital, located in Vancouver and Hillside Centre in Kamloops
- to coordinate services ensuring efficient, effective use of resources
- to create links with other facilities and community agencies
- to provide clients a comprehensive continuum of care
- to prevent duplication of neuropsychiatric services

Sharing of Information

Your right to privacy is important. We must protect confidentiality while balancing the need to share information in order to give you the best health care possible. If you have concerns, please talk to your case manager.

Vision:

We are committed to supporting healthy lives in healthy communities with our partners through care, education and research.



Making better decisions together with patients and families

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Vancouver Acute & Community Mental Health

What Are We?

We are a multidisciplinary provincial program that partners with existing adult neuropsychiatric services in B.C.:

UBC Hospital:

- Detwiller Pavilion
- Ward One West
- Outpatient Clinic

We serve clients with mental illness and associated brain injury or disease.

Who Are We?

Program staff includes:

- Neuropsychiatrists
- Behavioral Neurologist
- General Practitioners
- Neuropsychologists
- Psychologists
- Nurses
- Psychometrists
- Pharmacists
- Occupational Therapists
- Social Workers
- Recreational Therapists
- Rehabilitation Workers
- Physiotherapists
- Nutritionists
- Support Staff/Health Care Workers

Who Do We See?

Our clients include adults with brain injuries or diseases causing serious disturbances in behavior, mood, intellectual abilities or thinking processes. We also see patients with psychiatric disorders that present as physical disease (somatoform disorders).

Patients may have:

- Parkinson's disease
- Multiple sclerosis
- Epilepsy
- Head injury
- Anoxic and metabolic brain injuries
- Tourette's syndrome
- Systemic lupus erythematosus
- Stroke
- Dementias
- Somatoform and Conversion disorders
- Other neurological disorders

Our outpatient clinic does not see patients with active medical legal cases or provide independent assessment for medical-legal purposes.

Referral Process

Who Can Refer?

- any physician
- any hospital or health agency in B.C., Yukon & Northwest Territories

How To Refer

- Enquire through the provincial coordinator at 604-822-9758
- Request referral forms through the Program Secretary at 604-822-9758 or download a referral form from the program's website at www.bcnpc.ca

To avoid unnecessary delays, please fully complete the referral form and provide the requested historical information.

Referring physicians should clearly indicate the problems leading to referral and what they hope would be gained from a neuropsychiatric assessment.

Clients being referred should have a previously completed psychiatric and neurologic evaluation.