



# **Fact Sheet for Nurses**

#### **ACPF Overview**

The Advanced Clinical Practice Fellowship (ACPF) program provides registered nurses (RNs) and nurse practitioners (NPs) the opportunity to have a focused self-directed learning experience to develop knowledge and skills in their areas of interest with support from a mentor(s), the organization where the RN/NP is employed, and RNAO.

This initiative is aimed at developing and promoting nursing knowledge and expertise, and improving client care and health outcomes in Ontario.

## **Quick Numbers**



Requests for Proposals (RFP) per year



\$15,000 in funding



\$5,000 Sponsor Organization contribution (minimum)



450hr commitment

### **Additional Information**

- Application template and Request for Proposals (RFP) document will only be posted during an open RFP period
- For additional information, visit: <u>http://www.rnao.ca/acpf</u>

### **Eligibility Criteria**

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Be an RN or NP licensed with the College of Nurses of Ontario
- Live in Ontario and work on a full time or part time basis.
- Have a minimum of one year of experience in nursing practice
- Be able to dedicate a minimum of 450 hours to the ACPF learning experience

### **Tips for Success**

- Attend an information session. Hear about a past fellow's experience on everything from how they prepared to apply and how it all worked out in the end!
- Develop a timeline for proposal generation. Give yourself deadlines to ensure that you have enough time to complete all elements of the proposal.
- The best proposals incorporate various methods of interaction between the fellow and their mentor(s).
- Ensure that your mentor has as much input as possible in your application before submission.
- Make sure your application is clear and explicit. Include as many details as possible. Assume the reviewer knows nothing about you and your organization beyond your application.
- Ensure that the proposal is driven by your learning needs, and not the needs of your organization.
- Review executive summaries from past fellows <a href="here">here</a>.
  Learn from fellows sharing their fellowship outcomes and overall experiences.

