

CFRI'S PATRICK NASH FELLOWS TRAINING PROGRAM: AGING IN THE NEW ERA OF CF

Overview

This educational program is designed to advance knowledge, accelerate research, and transform the care of adults aging with cystic fibrosis (CF). Focused on the multi-organ impact of CF, the program identifies, educates, and sustains the next generation of CF care providers and thought leaders from multiple disciplines, fostering lifelong CF expertise while serving as a catalyst for innovative research activities.

Program Components and Benefits

- 3-day symposium in Dallas TX, Nov 12-14, 2026 featuring presentations, workshops, small-group discussions & time for networking. The program will focus on the multi-system impact of CF. Patient voice will be incorporated for all topic areas.
- 4 quarterly virtual meetings of fellows and faculty focused on high priority educational topics.
- Ongoing mentorship from world renowned conference faculty, both during and beyond 3-day symposium, is focused on assisting Fellows in the identification, design, and execution of a research project related to the challenges and needs of adults aging with CF.
- Membership in a growing CFRI Patrick Nash Fellows Program alumni network.

Please see the application for participant requirements.

Eligibility

Clinical trainees or physician researchers up to two years post fellowship or residency; exceptional senior residents will also be considered.

Relevant medical specialty (including but not limited to):



Cardiology



Urology



Endocrinology



Infectious Disease



ENT/Otolaryngology



Oncology



Gastroenterology



Psychology/ Psychiatry



Gynecology



Pulmonology

Experience and demonstrated ongoing interest in adult CF care.



Symposium Meeting



**Thu. Nov 12th –
Sat. Nov 14th, 2026**



The Adolphus Hotel
1321 Commerce St,
Dallas, TX 75202



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CFRI will cover the cost of travel, accommodations and meals during the symposium

Apply Today

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<https://curecf.cfri.org/NashFellows26>

DEADLINE: June 8, 2026

Applicants will be notified of the committee's decision by 06/30/26

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Symposium Sessions

- History & Development of Adult CF Care
- The CF Care and Research Ecosystem: Becoming Part of a CF Center
- CFTR Modulator Benefits, Complications, and Implications on Aging
- Gastrointestinal and Other Cancers Among Aging Adults
- Diabetes in the Aging CF Population
- Cardiovascular Disease and CF: Modulator and Non-Modulator Associated Risks of Cardiac Disease
- Cystic Fibrosis and Reproductive & Sexual Health
- Antimicrobial Resistance and New/Pipeline Therapies
- Emerging Topics in CF Adult Comorbidities and Care

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What I found most valuable about the conference was the strong emphasis on networking and collaboration. It provided an excellent platform for the integration of diverse disciplines...

- 2025 Fellow

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Requirements

If accepted to the Program, fellows agree to:

- Pre-work: Review 5 hours of curated online content
- Attend and participate in all sessions of the conference, including meals and social functions
- Attend virtual program kickoff and at least 3 of 4 quarterly post-conference virtual meetings
- Complete all requested meeting evaluations
- Share relevant knowledge via post-conference presentations and/or publication activities as requested and as schedule allows
- Identify and pursue a research project, developed with an assigned faculty mentor, including regular check-ins, progress updates, and a final summary of findings or next-step recommendations

Program Faculty

A. Whitney Brown, MD

Director of Clinical Operations and Medical Director of the Cystic Fibrosis and Bronchiectasis Program at Inova Advanced Lung Disease and Transplant Program at Inova Fairfax Hospital

Jennifer Taylor Cousar, MD, MScS

Medical Director, Clinical Research Services; Co-Director, Adult CF Center; Director, CF Therapeutics Development Center; Professor, Div. of Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine. National Jewish Health

Steven Freedman, MD, PhD

Chief, Div. of Translational Research & Director, The Pancreas Center, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Senior Gastroenterologist, Adult CF Center, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Boston Children's Hospital. Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School

Raksha Jain, MD

Professor, Dept. of Internal Medicine, Div. of Pulmonary and Clinical Care Medicine; Medical Director of the Adult Cystic Fibrosis Program, UT Southwestern Medical Center

Richard Moss, MD

Emeritus Professor of Pediatrics, Center for Excellence in Pulmonary Biology in the Division of Pediatric Pulmonary, Asthma & Sleep Medicine, Stanford University School of Medicine

Joseph Pilewski, MD

Co-Director, CF Program; Associate Chief for Clinical Affairs Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine; Professor of Medicine, Pediatrics, and Clinical and Translational Medicine. University of Pittsburgh

Deepika Polineni, MD

Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Allergy and Pulmonary Medicine; Director of the Cystic Fibrosis Center at Washington University in St. Louis

Melissa Putman, MD, MMSc

Director, Massachusetts Medical Hospital Diabetes Research Center. Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School

Ahmet Uluer, DO, MPH

Director, Adult Cystic Fibrosis Center and Adult TDC Center, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Boston Children's Hospital. Assistant Professor, Harvard Medical School

James Yankaskas, MD

Professor of Medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

