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Dr. Roger Wong is a Clinical Professor in the Division of Geriatric Medicine in the University of British Columbia (UBC) Department of Medicine and is a Consultant Physician of the Geriatric Consultation Program at Vancouver General Hospital. He was Associate Dean, Postgraduate Medical Education, UBC Faculty of Medicine from 2012-2016. Currently, he is appointed as the Executive Associate Dean, Education in the UBC Faculty of Medicine.

Dr. Wong received his M.D. degree with Honours in Research from the University of Alberta and completed his postgraduate and fellowship training there as well. Dr. Wong was elected to the Fellowship of the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences, one of the highest honours in the health sciences field in Canada. Nationally, he is a member of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Geriatric Medicine and Internal Medicine Examination Boards, and internationally, he was elected to the Fellowship of the American College of Physicians.

Dr. Wong is an invited member of multiple peer-review boards for scientific publications in the fields of geriatric medicine, internal medicine, and medical education. He has received numerous awards of appreciation from the Alzheimer Society of British Columbia to recognize his advocacy work in the community. He has also received numerous medical education awards, including the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada Donald Richards Wilson Award, UBC Killam Teaching Prize, UBC Faculty of Medicine Clinical Faculty Award for Career Excellence in Clinical Teaching, and UBC Department of Medicine Master Teacher Award.

Dr. Wong works tirelessly to advance academic and clinical health sciences related to geriatrics, and his work has had a significant impact on the care for older people in Canada and beyond. He was the 13th President of the Canadian Geriatrics Society and founded the state-of-the-art Acute Care for Elders (ACE) Unit in Vancouver, which has been implemented nationally and internationally. His clinical research focuses on hospital medicine in vulnerable older adults, including quality improvement in acute care geriatrics. Dr. Wong has made significant contributions in showcasing Canadian geriatrics around the world, culminating in his selection as the 2017 Trevor Howell Guest Lecturer in London, a prestigious honour bestowed by the British Geriatrics Society for an eminent physician or scientist with an international reputation. He is only the second Canadian who has received this honour in the Lecture's history. Dr. Wong has published and lectured extensively on geriatric medicine and medical education. He is also a TEDx Speaker, and his TEDx Talk has been viewed by international audiences around the world.