



Registered Nurse – Supervised Consumption Services (SCS)

1.0 FTE Full-Time Regular (35 hours/week) positions, Bargaining Unit – ONA

Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre (Parkdale Queen West CHC) is a dynamic, community-based health care organization serving mid-west downtown Toronto. Offering a broad range of services, including primary health care, dental care, harm reduction, health promotion, counselling, and community development programming, we are also committed to serving people who face barriers to health care, and we strive to reduce these barriers. PQWCHC is a multi-sited organization.

General Responsibilities:

Reporting to the Supervisor of Supervised Consumption Service, the Registered Nurse (SCS RN) works as part of a multi-disciplinary integrated Supervised Consumption Service (SCS) as well as part of the larger healthcare team in the Centre. The SCS RN provides health care and treatment for clients who use drugs in the SCS, many of whom have soft tissue damage and injuries, chronic illnesses as well as complex health and social needs. With a knowledge and appreciation of the impacts of colonization, violence, and trauma on individuals and communities, the RN works to build rapport with clients in order to establish the basis of a therapeutic relationship. Taking histories, performing physicals, assessing needs, and providing treatment within the RN scope of practice and under medical directives are a daily feature of the work, as is responding to overdoses and providing harm reduction education to clients.

The incumbent will have an undergraduate degree in nursing with current registration as a Registered Nurse with the College of Nurses of Ontario, as well as RAO membership. 1-3 years of experience in a community setting, or combination of community hospital or public health settings, knowledge of harm reduction, available health services, social services and substance use treatment services is required. Experience working with people who use drugs, Indigenous people, people who engage in sex work, prisoners/ex-prisoners, people with mental health challenges is an asset, as is proficiency in a language other than English.

Compensation: \$62,419 to \$74,148 per annum plus Group Benefits and HOOPP (Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan)

If you are interested in joining in a creative and dedicated team, we want to hear from you! Please send your resume and cover letter **in a single document** (MS Word or PDF format only) to hr@pqwchc.ca, quoting **RN-SCS-PKD** in the subject line. Internal candidates, please submit your application by 5:00 pm of July 12, 2023. The deadline to apply for external candidates is by July 26, 2023 at 5:00 pm. We truly appreciate your interest; however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please also note that the successful candidate will be required to provide a police vulnerable sector check as a condition of employment, however strong consideration is made to the type of offense. Employment is conditional upon having had a full series of COVID-19 vaccinations (2 doses, plus booster within 6-12 months) 14 days before starting employment.

PQWCHC is committed to the principles of access and equity. PQWCHC is committed to reflecting the diversity of the communities it serves and we encourage applicants who reflect Toronto's Indigenous, LGBTQ2, racial, and cultural diversity. We welcome and encourage applications from all qualified candidates, including people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request. Parkdale Queen West CHC is in full compliance of the Ontario Human Rights Code and does not discriminate on the ground of records of offenses.