



**Request for Expression of Interest  
Clinical Addiction Program  
Interdepartmental Division of Addiction Medicine, PHC**

**Position Summary:**

Providence Health Care (PHC) is seeking up to ten Addiction Medicine physicians to join the Clinical Addiction Program at St. Paul's Hospital (SPH) in downtown Vancouver.

PHC's Clinical Addiction Program is one of the largest interdisciplinary addiction programs in North America providing evidence-based care to a diverse range of patients who have a substance use disorder in both an inpatient and outpatient setting. The Program also provides supervision and teaching to a variety of medical trainees including (but not limited to): medical students, residents, fellows and enhanced skills trainees. The Departments within the Division where physicians hold their appointments are: Emergency Medicine, Family Practice, Medicine, and Psychiatry.

*Hours/overnight call requirements:*

Weekdays: The Clinical Addiction Program currently has 4 inpatient Addiction Medicine Consult Teams (AMCT) that provide timely consultation and longitudinal follow-up for individuals with a substance use disorder at SPH. The team collaborates extensively with physicians in the emergency department as well as admitting physicians from medicine, surgery, and psychiatry. Outpatient care (scheduled and walk-in) is also provided by two physicians simultaneously at the Rapid Access Addiction Clinic (RAAC) at SPH as well as one physician at Lighthouse Clinic (Virtual RAAC) and one physician at Access Central (Vancouver Community). A 25- bed inpatient medical withdrawal management unit is also staffed by two physicians as part of St. Paul's Hospital's new Road to Recovery Initiative. Physicians work in one-week blocks from approximately 08:30h – 17:00h Monday to Friday and provide overnight call coverage (17:00h – 08:00h, Level 3 MOCAP) approximately one night per weekday, depending on which services they are covering.

Weekends: For every two weeks of service on the AMCT, RAAC or virtual RAAC, physicians provide one weekend of call coverage. The AMCT and RAAC are both staffed by two physicians on Saturday and Sunday (09:00h – 17:00h). Both services are often supported by medical trainees on weekend days. One night of overnight call coverage (17:00h – 09:00h, Level 3 MOCAP) is provided per weekend. For every week of Road to Recovery, physicians provide overnight call coverage for admitted patients only, the call coverage is divided between the 2 physicians on.





# Providence Health Care

How you want to be treated.

## *Compensation and commitment:*

Physicians receive blended compensation through either Medical Services Plan billing or hospital sessional support for services provided. As of 2025, the compensation will transition to an alternate payment plan. We are seeking a minimum of 12 weeks of service per year.

## **Qualifications**

Successful candidate will be Licentiates of the Medical Council of Canada and hold a current BC Medical License with the College of Physicians & Surgeons of BC and meet credentialing requirements at PHC (this includes sign-off from the applicant's respective Department Head). Applicants who have completed formal addiction medicine training (e.g., enhanced skills or a fellowship) will be prioritized. Qualified applicants will be licensed (or eligible for licensure) with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC (CPSBC), have CCFP or RCPSC certification, have completed their POATSP training and will be ACLS certified.

## **Why PHC:**

Providence Health Care is a non-profit faith-based organization. At Providence we embrace compassionate care, social justice, and innovation while delivering high-quality, evidence-based care to vulnerable populations across Vancouver and its neighboring communities. The Clinical Addiction Program at PHC is also strongly partnered with the BC Centre on Substance Use and, as such, immense opportunity exists for engagement in research and evaluation in the area of substance use (though involvement in these activities is not mandated). We invite you to join us as we work towards building a better system of addiction care for all British Columbians.

## **How to Apply:**

Providence Health Care is committed to building a culture of equity, diversity and inclusion where the Medical Staff feel welcomed, valued, and supported at work. We encourage physicians from all backgrounds to apply.

To apply, please send a letter expressing your interest, curriculum vitae and the names of 2 referees to Mehak Sampla, Administrative Assistant: [msampla@providencehealth.bc.ca](mailto:msampla@providencehealth.bc.ca) with the subject: **EOI Clinical Addiction Program**. Applications will be reviewed immediately, and the positions will remain open until they are filled.