



The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan (CPSS) is looking for a **full time Pharmacist** to join our Prescription Review Program (PRP) team. **This contract is to March 31, 2023 with possibility of extension.**

The PRP is Saskatchewan's educationally focused prescription monitoring program administered by CPSS on behalf of the Ministry of Health (MoH). The Program monitors a provincially designated panel of prescription medications with known misuse, abuse, and diversion potential for possible inappropriate prescribing by physicians and possible inappropriate use by patients.

The Opportunity

Reporting to the Pharmacist Manager (functional leader) and the Operations Manager (formal leader), the Pharmacist is responsible for supporting the success of the PRP by assisting to monitor prescriptions and use of drug therapies within the jurisdiction of the Program in Saskatchewan.

Key Responsibilities

- Assists with monitoring the prescribing and use of drug therapies within the jurisdiction of the PRP in Saskatchewan by receiving and reviewing analytical information and accessing drug utilization databases to identify usage trends
- Reviews compiled analytical information and physician orders to identify potential inappropriate prescribing by physicians or misuse by patient
- Communicates concerns to physicians and/or pharmacists to provide therapeutic/management strategies for the appropriate use of PRP monitored medications, particularly opiates
- Responds to drug therapy inquiries from health care professionals, patients, and members of the public related to the monitored medications
- Collaborates with and provides pharmacological information, educational seminars, and general information to various stakeholders as requested, to increase knowledge regarding appropriate prescribing of medications

What you have

- University degree in Pharmacy, with Advanced degree preferred
- Licensed member, in good standing, with the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
- Valid Class 5 Driver's License for required travel
- Five years' of clinically based practice
- Experience in community medicine and addictions medicine is a strong asset
- Thorough knowledge of prescribed medications and opiate substitution therapies within the jurisdiction of Saskatchewan
- Thorough knowledge of current guidelines for pain treatment, ADHD, and opiate substitution therapies

- Strong knowledge of related legislation, federal and provincial, and pharmaceutical guidelines
- Knowledge of “Cultural Safety” for First Nations populations
- Ability to analyze information and make strategic recommendations
- Ability to prioritize competing demands and meet assigned deadlines
- Ability to deal with confidential information in a professional manner while adhering to the Health Protection Information Act (HIPA)
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, and make formal presentations
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships
- Proficient skill with Microsoft Office, databases, and document management software.

About CPSS

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan exists to serve the public by regulating the practice of medicine and guiding the profession to achieve the highest standards of care. CPSS is a statutory, professionally led regulatory body established by legislation of the Government of Saskatchewan and charged with the responsibility of licensing properly qualified medical practitioners; developing and ensuring the standards of practice in all fields of medicine; and investigating and disciplining of all doctors whose standards of medical care, ethical or professional conduct are questioned.

We offer an excellent compensation package with a focus on your health, wealth, career, and life including:

- Competitive salary
- Excellent pension plan
- Comprehensive benefit package that includes health and dental plan, life insurance, short and long term disability insurance, accidental death and dismemberment insurance, Employee Family Assistance Program and annual health and wellness allowance
- Generous leave provisions including vacation days, sick days, and personal obligation days
- Free on-site gym and ample electrified parking
- Development opportunities

Work is normally performed on-site in a typical office environment. However, temporarily due to COVID-19, the duties of the position may be fulfilled through a combination of remote and in-office work.

Application Process

Please submit your resume and a cover letter no later than Monday, April 12, 2021 to careers@cps.sk.ca. Only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.