



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

CONTRACT (Term) PHARMACIST

The Opioid Agonist Therapy Program (OATP), which is administered by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan (CPSS) on behalf of the Ministry of Health is looking to hire a contract **PHARMACIST** until March 31, 2025.

THE OPPORTUNITY

Reporting to the Pharmacist Manager, this position is responsible for the quality assurance and quality improvement of the OATP in Saskatchewan.

The Pharmacist monitors and analyzes prescribing data related to the OATP to identify possible inappropriate prescribing by physicians and/or misuse by patients. The Pharmacist provides pharmacological support to the OATP, including to the Pharmacist Manager and to the OATP Clinical Manager, as required.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide support in responding to questions regarding opioid agonist therapy within the province and assist in conducting educational OAT audits to ensure standards and guidelines are being met.
- Review compiled analytical information and dispensing history data to identify potential inappropriate prescribing by physicians and/or misuse from patients and effectively communicate concerns to physicians and/or pharmacists to provide evidence-based, therapeutic management strategies based on current standards and guidelines.
- Respond to drug therapy inquiries and concerns from health care professionals, patients and members of the public of misuse and/or inappropriate prescribing related to the drugs monitored by the Prescription Review Program (PRP).
- Develop and maintain effective working relationships with co-workers to support a culture of collegiality.

WHAT YOU HAVE

- University degree in Pharmacy, with Advanced degree preferred
- Licensed member, in good standing, with the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
- Minimum of five years of clinically-based practice with a focus on Addiction Medicine
- Thorough knowledge of prescribed medications and opiate substitution therapies
- Strong knowledge of related legislation and critical practice guidelines is critical
- Ability to think strategically, problem solve, exercise diplomacy and build consensus are essential
- Knowledge of cultural safety for First Nations populations
- Knowledge of trauma informed care

- 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
- Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, and make formal presentations
- Proficient skill with Microsoft Office, databases and document management software
- Valid Class 5 driver's license for any required travel

ABOUT THE 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 regulating 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 which includes:

- Competitive salary
- Option to participate in the pension plan
- Comprehensive benefit package that includes health, dental, life insurance, accidental death and dismemberment insurance.
- Employee and Family Assistance Program
- Annual health and wellness allowance
- Paid leave provisions including vacation days
- Free on-site gym and ample electrified parking

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please submit your resume and a cover letter to careers@cps.sk.ca by the end of day, **Monday, January 15, 2024**

All applications will be held in strict confidence. No references will be contacted without the applicant's consent.

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected to move forward in our candidate selection process will be contacted.

By applying to this position, you are confirming you possess either a Canadian Citizenship, permanent resident status, or valid work permit.

The College strives to create a diverse and inclusive work environment that enhances our ability to meet the needs of the communities we serve. All qualified candidates will be considered regardless of physical ability, age, race, ethnicity, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.