



Physician Posting

Clinical Associate – Intensive Care Unit

Part-time positions – weeknights and weekends

Role Description:

In accordance with the standards of practice and the established mission, vision and values of Providence Health Care, the physician(s) who accepts this position will provide care to critically ill patients in the intensive care unit (ICU) of St. Paul's Hospital (SPH) under the supervision of the on-call intensivist. The Clinical Associate will be a member of the ICU team and work alongside residents-in-training.

The SPH ICU has 15 funded beds. This is a tertiary referral ICU for some of the sickest patients in BC, typically with multi-organ system failure. Patients are usually on a ventilator, and often require dialysis and multiple other supports. The SPH ICU also provides world renowned research.

Clinical Associates supplement the coverage provided by the attending Critical Care Intensivists, who are the most responsible physician for all ICU patients, and work alongside UBC residents on a rotation in the ICU. The ICU Clinical Associate also leads the Code Blue response team within SPH. The role of the Clinical Associate in the ICU has three major components: Patient Care, Unit Coordination and Education:

Patient Care - The Clinical Associate participates as a member of the Multidisciplinary ICU Team providing care to critically ill patients who have complex illnesses or injury including multi-system failure.

Unit Coordination - The Clinical Associate participates under the supervision of the on-call intensivist, in daily unit coordination activities necessary for the efficient, timely, and consistent delivery of the ICU services to the patients of the Hospital.

Education - The Clinical Associate is expected to maintain continuing education in critical care medicine by, amongst other things, keeping current with the medical literature. Additionally, the Clinical Associate participates in education programs (formal and informal) for Critical Care Unit health professionals (for example: residents, nurse, respiratory, therapists, physiotherapists and dieticians).

The coverage required will be provided by several physicians, each working part-time. Shifts to be covered, by several individuals, would include the following:

- Weeknights 5 pm to 7 am (up to 5 days/week)
- Weekends (up to all day Saturdays & Sundays)

Qualifications:

- A Medical Degree (General Practitioner or a fully qualified Intensivist preferred) licensed with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia to practice independently in BC, or eligibility for such licensure.
- Candidates must meet credentialing requirements and obtain hospital privileges at Providence Health Care.
- Additionally, the candidate should have:
 - A demonstrated ability working as a member of an interdisciplinary mental health team.
 - Adequate skills to respond to Code Blue calls, including intubation.

Reporting Relationship:

The physicians will report to the Head, Division of Critical Care, Department of Medicine, Providence Health Care.

Time Commitment:

The work schedule will be determined based upon the rota of qualified physicians available to work as an ICU Clinical Associate at SPH. The days and times can be worked out to suit individual schedules at the discretion of the Physician Service Director, Critical Care Services.

Please respond as soon as possible if you wish to apply for this position

Interested candidates should submit a current CV and letter of interest by email to SGillis@providencehealth.bc.ca or by fax to: 604-806-8710. Questions can be directed to 604-806-9405. All submissions will receive a confirmation of receipt, however, only short-listed candidates will be contacted to arrange for an interview.

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