# **JOB POSTING**



HEALTH CENTRE

# COORDINATOR – PRIMARY CARE ASTHMA PROGRAM CERTIFIED RESPIRATORY/ASTHMA EDUCATOR FULL-TIME, PERMANENT POSITION SALARY RANGE: \$57,782 - \$72,228 INCLUDES HEALTH BENEFITS AND HOOPP

The South Riverdale Community Health Centre is a non-profit, multi-service center that provides primary health care, social and community outreach services with an emphasis on health promotion to residents of East Toronto.

The Primary Care Asthma Program (PCAP) is a program delivered in a number of Community Health Centres in the East End of Toronto and within diverse communities and settings. The PCAP Coordinator works along with primary care providers to assess, diagnose and educate clients and their families or caregivers about asthma, COPD and smoking. This position fosters a collaborative approach to respiratory health and promotes/utilizes opportunities to increase awareness, skill and knowledge within the community.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Resource person for respiratory health education for SRCHC and the local community, including asthma, COPD and smoking cessation
- Work with sites to ensure adherence to Primary Care Asthma Project (PCAP) standards and protocols
- Provide spirometry testing as indicated in accordance with the American Thoracic Society guidelines
- Provide asthma and COPD education to clients, families and care providers utilizing best practice strategies and standardized PCAP tools, in accordance with PCAP Advisory Group recommendations
- Assess and address potential barriers to asthma management, including the social determinants of health
- Participate in the implementation of a cross-organizational smoking cessation strategy
- Work with clients/families and primary care providers to develop, implement and revise customized self-management plans (Action Plans)
- Complete documentation in accordance with PCAP standards and site specific policies and practice
- Identify community resources and help clients understand how and when to best access resources appropriately
- Develop and maintain collaborative internal and external partnerships
- Attend relevant events, meetings and participate as a member of committees and/or working groups
- Liaise with management, directors and administrators at SRCHC, East End and Regent Park CHCs to ensure that resources, policies, and practices for asthma care and management are in place

## **Qualifications:**

- Undergraduate degree in a relevant discipline from a recognized university or a combination of education and relevant experience
- Licensed Ontario Regulated Healthcare professional
- Certified Asthma Educator or Certified Respiratory Educator
- Minimum 3 years clinical experience working with clients conducting spirometry, asthma management, treatment, and education
- Experience with smoking awareness/cessation strategies (TEACH/STOP certification/training preferred)
- Proven ability to work independently and within an inter-professional team
- Ability to provide effective and accessible education/care to patients, families, community groups, and health professionals based on current best practice recommendations

- Ability to accurately and safely perform spirometry testing in accordance with the ATS/ERS Standards
- Understanding of the intersection between a range of health challenges in order to improve the prevention and management of chronic diseases across the continuum
- Experience working with diverse clients and communities
- Understanding of concepts of health promotion, patient education, research and secondary
  prevention as a part of primary care
- Proven administration skills including participation in meetings, maintenance of client care systems, preparation of project reports, evaluation of clinical care delivery relative to guidelines or standards of care, etc.
- Proficiency in the use of computer technology and various software applications
- Strong oral and written communication skills

A police clearance letter completed within the past twelve months will be required prior to commencing employment.

#### The deadline for applicants is Monday, March 28, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Please send your cover letter and resume in confidence to: The Hiring Committee Coordinator – Primary Care Asthma Program South Riverdale Community Health Centre 955 Queen Street East Toronto, ON M4M 3P3



#### No emails, faxes, phone calls, or requests to meet please.

South Riverdale Community Health Centre is an equal opportunity employer. We would like to thank all those that apply but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

SRCHC encourages a scent-free environment. Employees, students, volunteers, and visitors are asked to refrain from wearing fragrances and other scented personal care products (i.e. perfumes, deodorants, lotions, hairspray, etc.) while at the Centre.