



HAMILTON URBAN CORE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Physician Assistant

Full-Time Position Available

6 Month Contract

Hamilton Urban Core is a thriving inner city health centre and a leader in the provision of high-quality primary health services and health promotion programs. Our comprehensive health services are delivered through a dynamic team of multidisciplinary, inter-professional health providers. As an inner-city health centre our client populations include individuals and families with chronic and complex health and social conditions, many of which are living in poverty.

The Physician Assistant serves as a champion of the Hamilton Urban Core's mission and vision and works in a manner that is consistent with the Centre's values, beliefs, core competencies and commitment to quality in service. An essential member of the client-centered, inter-professional, multidisciplinary team of health providers at Hamilton Urban Core, the Physician Assistant will work with other members of the Centre's teams to serve clients and communities using responsive and innovative approaches effectively and efficiently to services and service delivery framed by health equity and the social determinants of health.

Working with the Supervising Physician, and team of multi-disciplinary health providers, the Physician Assistant's role may include but not limited to:

- Direct Client Care:** performing complete clinical assessment of clients and formulate treatment plans; conducting physical assessments and interpreting findings; ordering and completing preliminary interpretation of diagnostic tests and performing diagnostic procedures as directed; monitoring client progress; providing preventative health care counseling and health promotion and participating in home and outreach visits.
- Communication:** providing relevant information and explanations, including a proposed treatment plan, to the Supervising Physician and seeking further direction where appropriate; providing education to clients, families, and other health providers as appropriate.
- Medical Documentation and Record Keeping:** maintaining clear, accurate and appropriate records of the client encounter and management plan; working with the health care team to plan and evaluate activities, and develop or initiate health teaching, screening programs or workshops.
- Multidisciplinary, Inter-professional Teamwork:** working with the health care team to plan and evaluate activities, and develop or initiate health teaching, screening programs or workshops by identifying health needs of clients; assisting in planning the Centre's services by participating on committees and sharing

information about perceived health needs and issues, engaging other health professionals at the Centre as appropriate to ensure optimal access to services and quality care.

The successful candidate should have:

- Graduate of an accredited physician assistant education program
- Registered with the Canadian Association of Physician Assistants.
- Certified by the Physician Assistant Certification Council of Canada
- Relevant work experience and solid understanding of the role of the Physician Assistant
- Knowledge of and interest in primary health care, health promotion and chronic disease prevention and management
- Understanding of and sensitivity to issues impacting on client populations in the inner city
- Sound clinical skills and knowledge and strong problem-solving skills
- Interest in working in a community-based health setting
- Experience working as part of a multidisciplinary team
- Innovative and flexible
- Commitment to the cultural competence and the anti-racism and anti-oppression principles at Hamilton Urban Core
- Proficiency in the use of computers in the work environment

Interested individuals should forward **a resume and cover letter** to:

Hiring Committee – Physician Assistant

Hamilton Urban Core Community Health Centre

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