

Medical Officer of Health (MOH)

Multiple Positions Available



Specialty: Public Health and
Preventive Medicine

Date Posted: December 21, 2020

Type: Full Time and Part Time

Close Date: January 24, 2021

FTE: Variable

Start Date: February 8, 2021

City/Town: Multiple Openings

Organization: Alberta Health Services

Location: Negotiable

Shift Pattern: Days, Evenings, Weekends,
On Call

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Job Description:

Are you a physician passionate about the health and wellbeing of the community with training in public health? Would you like to advance public and population health in Alberta during an unprecedented time and contribute to Alberta's long-term wellness strategy?

Join Alberta Health Services and help drive the paradigm shift from an illness focus to a wellness focus. By joining a provincial health authority like AHS your work will have the direct ability to improve population health outcomes for all Albertans. Alberta Health Services' has multiple opportunities available for a Medical Officer of Health (MOH) that could be right for you. Seize the opportunity to join a cohesive, integrated and well-coordinated team, where you will be able to strategize, deliver, and advance public and population health in Alberta.

The provincial Clinical Department of Public Health and Preventative Medicine has multiple openings to carry out the duties of the Medical Officer of Health in an assigned geographic zone (Zone MOH) or to partner with Zone MOH and Operational Leadership to advance key public health strategies as a Provincial MOH.

Opportunities may exist to support the work of other MOH initiatives outside of the assigned area of focus to promote provincial integration and alignment across the broader team. Additional

experience in the areas of leadership, financial management, planning, and program development is an asset.

Zone MOH - Several Part-Time and Full-Time Zone MOH roles are currently available across the province in multiple Rural and Urban Zones (approximately 4.0 FTE).

Each Zone presents unique opportunities to demonstrate your ability to bring a public health/population health perspective to strategic and operational planning in the health system. This includes participation in the planning, delivery and evaluation of health promotion, disease and injury prevention and emergency/disaster management initiatives. You will practice within a broad public health portfolio leveraging already established relationships and fostering new partnerships with key stakeholders.

Under the Public Health Act, the MOH has statutory responsibilities related to investigation and control of communicable diseases, infection prevention and control of environmental threats to the health of the population. The candidate will report to the Zone Lead Medical Officer of Health (ZLMOH) and may act on behalf of the ZLMOH in their absence in accordance with established public health standards.

Provincial MOH - The Provincial Medical Officer of Health (Provincial MOH) focus is to support a provincial program area in promoting health and protecting individuals, communities, and populations against risks to health and safety.

Opportunities are available in the provincial program areas of Safe Healthy Environments (0.5 FTE), Communicable Disease Control (0.5 FTE), Health Promotion (1.0 FTE), Substance Use (0.3 FTE), Surveillance & Informatics (0.6 FTE), and Emergency/Disaster Management (0.3 FTE).

The Provincial MOH, along with Operational Leadership and teams within Provincial Population and Public Health, has accountability to ensure programming is strategic in focus, incorporates the voice of the customer, supports the workforce in carrying out their respective roles, measures what is achieved, and ties it all together to achieve results through process quality management.

The Provincial MOH has a primary responsibility for assisting in ensuring that mandated and legislated activities outlined by the Public Health Act and its regulations are fulfilled in the services offered through the provincial program in support of the role of the Zone Medical Officers of Health. This responsibility and accountability includes leading the appropriate integration of services with other provincial programs and other Provincial Population and Public Health services through a coordinated strategy.

Required Qualifications:

- MD eligible for licensure in Alberta.
- FRCPC with specialty in Public Health and Preventive Medicine / Community Medicine.
- Other training and experience (e.g. CCFP with additional training in public health (MPH) will be considered).

Additional Required Qualifications:

- Communicate well in both oral and written formats.

- Accurately deliver public health messages by presenting to medical and non-medical groups, as well as in doing interviews with the media.
- Develop and maintain a network of effective strategic relationships with clients, internal peers and colleagues in municipalities and provincially to gain support in order to achieve business goals.
- Provincial MOHs must have demonstrated expertise in their assigned area of focus and a minimum of three (3) years of experience as an MOH.

Additional Information:

Please Note: Alberta Health Services (AHS) is committed to ensuring the safety of staff and patients and requires all NEW employees provide a satisfactory criminal record check (CRC) and/or vulnerable sector search (VSS) prior to the start of their employment. The CRC/VSS must be specific to the role at AHS and must be dated no more than 90 days prior to the date on your written offer from AHS.

Applications will be accepted until January 24, 2021 at 23:59; however, the competition will remain open until the positions are filled.

- **Classification:** Medical Officer of Health
- **Union:** Exempt Executive
- **Compensation:** Competitive salary based on experience. We offer a competitive compensation and benefits package.
- **Shift Pattern:** Days, Evenings, Weekends, On Call

Physicians may be required to work flexible schedules, including regular and irregular hours, such as evenings, weekends, and national holidays and will perform On Call duties.

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Offers will be made based on areas of critical operational need. Currently our priority focus will be on rural zones. Employment model may include support to more than one geographical zone or portfolio. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those individuals selected for an interview will be contacted.

The University of Alberta, Alberta Health Services, and Covenant Health hire on the basis of merit. We are committed to the principle of equity in employment. We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified women and men, including persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, and Indigenous persons.

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