



BOYLE McCAULEY HEALTH CENTRE
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Job Title:	Licensed Practical Nurse, Supervised Consumption Site
Reports to:	Clinic Team Lead
Position Type:	Full-time, permanent
Hours:	Varied
Wage:	~\$22-27/hr

About Boyle McCauley Health Centre

Boyle McCauley Health Centre provides interdisciplinary, team based, integrated, comprehensive, and person-centered primary health care for vulnerable Edmontonians with complex needs. Through primary care and health promotion, The Boyle McCauley Health Centre improves the quality of life and well-being of populations and individuals who face multiple barriers to accessing health services. The BMHC achieves this by providing the highest standard of evidence-informed and client focused inter-professional care. We collaborate with our clients to address the broad determinants of health.

Within the Boyle McCauley Health Centre, the SCS (Supervised Consumption Service) is part of a range of evidence-based services that support prevention, harm reduction and treatment for Albertans living with substance use. SCS provides a place where people can use drugs in a monitored, hygienic environment to reduce harm from substance use while offering wrap-around services such as counselling, social work and referrals to housing and treatment (e.g., opioid-dependency treatment, detox) and works collaboratively with the rest of BMHC to provide individualized services to meet service user's needs.

Job Description

BMHC Licensed Practical Nurses are a vital component of the Team Based care at BMHC. Clinical teams of nurses, physicians, nurse practitioners, medical office assistants, outreach workers, health advocates, mental health therapists, and other professionals offer comprehensive, wrap-around care to Edmonton's most marginalized population. Nursing staff are required to work to full-scope of practice within a primary health care setting to serve all aspects of client needs. LPNs are leaders and independent practitioners at BMHC, working collaboratively to ensure high quality care, continuity of health services, and all possible social and medical supports for clients.

Within the SCS, the LPN will provide direct client care to program participants accessing the consumption site. Emphasis will be placed on forming relationships with clients, establishing rapport, supervising and monitoring substance use, and assisting and treating potential signs of overdose as clinically indicated. The SCS LPN will also be responsible for medical interventions within SCS – primarily the reversal of drug poisonings, but also incidental medical concerns that are brought up by SCS clientele. SCS staff will also facilitate the connection of clients between the SCS and all programs at BMHC, with the goal of allowing the client to move along the spectrum of care towards recovery.

Key Responsibilities

- Maintain a quiet, safe space for service users
- Build relationships with service users
- Provide referrals to support services
- Provide education and counseling on safer drug use, harm reduction, and sexual health
- Provide overdose prevention education, and Naloxone training for take home Naloxone kits
- Manage drug poisoning emergencies within scope of practice for an LPN and Boyle McCauley medical direction
- Assist the nurse with monitoring of service users, and bring medical concerns to their attention

Qualifications

- Current registration, in good standing, with CLPNA
- Current Basic Cardiac Life Support - Healthcare Provider (BCLS-HCP)
- Mandatory vulnerable sector check and suitable criminal record check
- Knowledge and operation of Microsoft Outlook, Word and Excel
- Able to balance numerous demands and conflicting priorities, strong problem-solving skills
- Knowledge and experience working with both diverse and vulnerable populations
- Working with a multidisciplinary team
- Knowledge of trauma informed care and social determinants of health
- A kind, non-judgmental approach to working with service users and ability to work within a harm reduction model of care
- Ability to demonstrate patience and understanding for those with addictions and behavioral disorders

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience applicable to the position (social work, psychology, sociology, addictions counseling, criminal justice, ext.)
- Mental health, addictions, emergency and/or harm reduction experience
- Non-Violent Crisis Intervention training
- Mental Health First Aid and Applied Suicide Intervention Training
- Knowledge of problems encountered by Indigenous people in using health care services
- Knowledge and experience surrounding homelessness

- Knowledge of social support services available in Edmonton and surrounding areas
- Ability to lift up to 20kg may be required

Skills and Competencies

- Able to balance numerous demands and conflicting priorities, strong problem-solving skills
- Be able to work both co-operatively within a multidisciplinary team, and also independently in a self-directed and accountable manner
- Ability to demonstrate patience and understanding for those with addictions and behavioral disorders
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Has a good understanding of trauma-informed care, and must be able to operate within a harm reduction model of care

Salary: a competitive compensation package commensurate to experience will be provided

Please submit resume with cover letter to:

careers@bmhc.net