

Posting #E013-19

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) – *Part Time*

Lookout Housing and Health Society – Vancouver, BC

Lookout Housing and Health Society is a charitable organization and social safety net that provides housing and a range of support services to adults with low or no income, who have few, if any, housing or support options. As the people we serve have challenges meeting basic needs and goals, we place minimal barriers between them and our services. We believe that helping people help themselves is essential in addressing homelessness and all the issues that surround it. Securing appropriate housing is the first and most essential step in achieving responsible and independent individuals. For more information about Lookout, please visit www.lookoutsociety.ca.

Position Summary

The LPN carries out a variety of duties supporting Lookout's Harm Reduction Program under the direction of the Health Programs Manager. This includes the oversight of harm reduction supplies throughout the Society, and orienting and supporting staff in carrying out their duties within the harm reduction framework. The people we serve may have a variety of challenging and often overlapping problems including serious mental illness, substance abuse (including IV drug use), hygiene issues, treatment (medical, psychiatric, and rehab), and increasingly HIV+/Aids. The position carries out duties related to the operation of needle distribution, including facilitating intakes and orienting guests, providing support to meet the needs of clients, and providing education on harm reduction methods and the distribution of harm reduction supplies. The LPN deals with the public, other service agencies, and professionals involved in support of the clients.

Practices in accordance with the standards, scope, and code of ethics as outlined by the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of BC (CLPNBC); as well as within a client care model, and the mission, vision, values, and policies of the organization.

QUALIFICATIONS & COMPETENCIES:

- Graduation from a recognized program for Practical Nurses
- Two (2) years of recent experience working as a full-scope LPN
- **Current full practicing licensure with the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of BC (CLPNBC)**
- Demonstrated knowledge of the Harm Reduction Model, Mental Health System, Addiction Support organizations, and related agencies
- **Must have current Occupational First Aid Level 1 Certificate** and negative TB Test
- Naloxone Training and Crisis Intervention Skills Training is an asset
- Demonstrated ability in dealing with a variety of situations and responsibilities requiring initiative, creativity, and professional judgment; along with the ability to assist clients with mental health and substance abuse issues
- Knowledge and practice within the standards dictated by the CLPNBC
- Broad knowledge of the harm reduction approach to client care
- Strong decision making and analytical skills
- Ability to work collaboratively as a member of an interdisciplinary team
- Effective communication, both verbally and in writing
- Ability to deal with conflict and emergency situations
- Demonstrated ability to plan, organize, and prioritize work
- Demonstrated physical ability to perform the duties of the position
- Knowledge and experience with basic computer programs (Word, Microsoft Outlook)
- Criminal Record Clearance – Vulnerable Sector

TO APPLY: Submit cover letter and resume, and quote **Job Posting #** in the subject line to Work@lookoutsociety.ca

CLOSING DATE: Applications will be accepted until **June 13, 2019 at 5:00pm**

**No phone calls please. Only those shortlisted will be contacted for an interview.*