

Licensed Practical Nurse Assisted Self Isolation Site (ASIS) Casual

What we do and why we do it:

The pandemic response continues to evolve which requires a team that will have flexibility in their delivery of care. The Government of Alberta has identified that it is critical to have an Assisted Self Isolation Site (ASIS) for Calgary's vulnerable homeless individuals who otherwise do not have homes to self-isolate should they become symptomatic or ill with COVID-19. Our target population is Calgary area only, homeless persons with symptoms who have been tested in the community and require self-isolation while waiting for results; COVID-infected homeless persons requiring self-isolation while their illness resolves; homeless persons who have symptoms or have come into contact with a known case and don't have a home where they can properly isolate. The ASIS team will provide medical, mental health, addictions, and housing supports in a 24/7 operation of care.

As a part of the multidisciplinary team, the LPN completes clinic and community health duties to ensure our clients are receiving quality and holistic care using a harm reduction philosophy of care. The LPN practices within their scope of practice. Knowledge of chronic disease, mental health, and substance use, as well as familiarity with the homeless serving sector is vital to the role. This is a 24/7 operation of care. This is a casual position. The LPN is accountable to the public for their own practice, College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Alberta, the Canadian Nurses' Association Code of Ethics, and the Health Professional Act. This is a casual position, reporting to the ASIS Medical Team Lead.

What you will do:

- On-site patient care as needed
- Assessments of clients' ILI symptoms, symptom management, as well as adherence to withdrawal protocols, when necessary
- Vital signs monitoring
- Motivational Interviewing, Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training, Trauma Informed Care training, Mental Health First Aid, ASSIST, and Narcan Administration
- Management and administration of medication in conjunction with the Psychiatrist and Family Physician
- Build rapport with marginalized individuals, be comfortable working independently with clients

What you bring:

- Current registration with CLPNA required
- Minimum of two years progressive Nursing experience working with clients with mental health and addictions disorders, homelessness, and poverty is preferred
- Experience with community outreach and crisis intervention is preferred
- Preference will be given to candidates who have evening and weekend availability
- Knowledge of social services and non-profit services in Calgary is an asset
- Excellent communication, organizational, advocacy, teaching, and rapport-building skills
- Able to work collaboratively in an interdisciplinary team model and innovative outreach service delivery model
- Strong commitment to working with individuals living with severe and persistent mental illness and addictions
- Strong skills in health promotion and illness prevention
- Strong knowledge of harm reduction, substance use, and medical withdrawal management
- Familiarity in the areas of evidence-based practice such as Motivational Interviewing, Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training, Trauma Informed Care training, Mental Health First Aid, ASSIST, and Narcan Administration
- Ability to multi-task in fast-paced environment
- A satisfactory vulnerable sector criminal record clearance is required
- Minimum HCP/BLS level CPR & AED within 30 days of hire date, certification must be valid for a minimum of 6 months upon hire
- Knowledge of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP) and the Truth and Reconciliation Commissions (TRC) 94 Calls to Action an asset

Working Environment:

- ASIS is a 24/7 residential program; the majority of this role is on-site with the exception of occasional mandatory and/or voluntary training that may occur offsite
- This is a casual position; shifts can vary depending on coverage needs. 12-hour shift duration, including overnights
- Continuous extended periods of sitting, standing, and walking
- Frequent climbing and carrying objects up or down stairwells
- Occasional physical action: requires the ability to climb and carry objects up flights of stairs throughout the shift, and to bend/crouch, reach above shoulder height, kneel, and carry objects (more than 20lbs) throughout the shift. This may include lifting and transferring clients who require assistance moving.

How to apply:

If you are as passionate as we are about making a difference in people's lives, please visit our career centre at: [Join Us - The Alex](#)

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.