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BC Centre for Disease Control
An agency of the Provincial Health Services Authority



The **BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC)** provides provincial and national leadership in public health through surveillance, detection, prevention and consultation and provides both direct diagnostic and treatment services to people with disease of public health importance.

The **BCCDC** is an agency of the **Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA)**, which plans, manages and evaluates selected specialty and province-wide health care services across BC. PHSA embodies values that reflect a commitment to excellence. These include:

Respect people • Be compassionate • Dare to innovate • Cultivate partnerships • Serve with purpose

Medical Director, Environmental Health Services

BC Centre for Disease Control

Regular Full-time

Vancouver, BC

The Environmental Health Services Division of the BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC) constitutes the primary scientific, research, policy, and program resources for environmental health at the BCCDC, an Agency of the Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA).

Reporting to the Provincial Executive Director and Scientific Director of the BCCDC, the Medical Director, Environmental Health Services Division is responsible for the ongoing development of the Division not only as a bridge to other scientific and research resources within the BCCDC, primarily in the area of Epidemiology and the PHSA Laboratories, but also as a hub that links to the extended environmental health capacity of PHSA. This capacity is embedded within the various agencies and corporate divisions of PHSA and the Medical Director will have a lead environmental health role within PHSA through the opportunity provided by its Community of Practice approach to public and population health.

The Medical Director has accountability for all environmental health programs within the Division. The Medical Director leads the Division not only within PHSA, but as it engages in environmental health programs and projects that support the five other Health Authorities in meeting their management and service delivery responsibilities; that support the provincial Ministry of Health in meeting its stewardship responsibilities; and that support the Office of the Provincial Health Officer in meeting its legislative and public health leadership responsibilities. The Medical Director is also responsible for providing leadership and scientific direction to the National Collaborating Centre in Environmental Health hosted by the BCCDC.

The business of the Division is to provide expert consultation services, support the implementation of core programs, provide research and evaluation support, and assist with training and education and coordination of provincial programs. The Medical Director must be able to provide senior scientific and medical oversight to division staff who deliver a wide variety of environmental health related services and programs. The Medical Director is part of the senior leadership team at the BCCDC and is a key contributor to charting the direction of the BCCDC and supporting the leadership in creating a collaborative and creative environment. In the short term, the Medical Director will focus on three areas: creating capacity to provide scientific and program expertise to government and to provide best practice service delivery support to Health Authorities for the core program areas of air, water, food, and communities; developing a provincial environmental health surveillance and response capability; and increasing understanding of the impact of the environment on chronic disease, working within PHSA and with other Health Authorities to reduce the burden of chronic disease.

You hold RCPSC certification or equivalent qualifications in a specialty related to environmental health, such as community medicine, occupational medicine, or infectious diseases. Along with at least 2 years of post-graduate training in fields related to environmental health such as toxicology, epidemiology, risk assessment and control of environmental hazards, you have extensive practical experience responding to environmental health issues and the development of policy to mitigate risks. Your comprehensive and in-depth knowledge of regulatory agencies, policies, legislation, and processes that govern and are relevant to environmental health in BC is complemented by eligibility for academic appointment at UBC or other BC institution of higher learning. This senior organizational level role requires sound medical judgment on a wide range of environmental health issues, while an understanding of the structure and mandates of Health Authorities in the province is an asset. Exceptional communication and cross-functional collaboration skills are a must together with knowledge of budget preparation and control, and quality control practices in an environmental health setting.

Applications, accompanied by a cover letter, detailed curriculum vitae, and the name, title, rank and contact information of four references, should be directed to:

Akosua Tomash
Talent Acquisition Advisor
Email: physicianrecruitment@phsa.ca

Applications will be accepted until the position has been filled.

For more information on all that the PHSA has to offer, please visit jobs.phsa.ca.

For more information about the BC Centre for Disease Control, please visit bccdc.ca.

PHSA is committed to employment equity and hires on the basis of merit. We encourage applications from all qualified individuals, including Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities and members of visible minorities.