



Renfrew County and District Health Unit

Director, Health Protection

Join a dynamic leadership team in a public health organization in the Ottawa Valley in Eastern Ontario with a mission to protect and promote the health and well-being of all residents through leadership, partnership, accountability, and service excellence.

The Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) is seeking a Director, Health Protection to plan, lead, organize, direct, control, and evaluate public health programs and services that are designed to protect and promote health and prevent disease for the RCDHU, in accordance with the Ontario Public Health Standards.

RCDHU is located in the Ottawa Valley in Eastern Ontario and serves a community of approximately 108,000 residents covering a geographic area of 15,000 square kilometres. RCDHU is jointly funded by the Province of Ontario and the obligated municipalities which include the County of Renfrew, the City of Pembroke, and the Township of South Algonquin. In addition, RCDHU serves most of Algonquin Provincial Park. Renfrew County and District comprises a network of family-friendly supportive communities and offers an outdoor adventure playground, surrounded by wide open spaces, pristine waterways, parks and trails with all the larger city amenities a short distance away.

The Director, Health Protection reports directly to the Medical Officer of Health and is a member of the senior leadership team. The Director, Health Protection is accountable for the strategic planning, leading, organizing, direction, control, and evaluation of public health programs and services within the health protection portfolio of the RCDHU, which includes, but is not limited to, infectious diseases, clinical public health services (e.g., immunization), and healthy environments. Intermittent coverage of public health programs and services within the health promotion division is also required. The Director, Health Protection collaborates with the MOH/CEO, other health unit Directors, and community partners to achieve common goals to improve the health of the residents of the RCDHU geographic area. In collaboration with the MOH/CEO and other Directors, the Director, Health Protection creates a culture at RCDHU that supports public health programs and services of the highest quality.

The successful applicant will have a master's degree in public health or a related field of study (e.g., nursing, health/public administration, health promotion, environmental health) or be in the process of attaining the required degree and be registered with a relevant Professional College/Certification body, as applicable. The successful applicant will have a minimum of 10 years professional experience in public health or a relevant community health agency and have a proven track record of experience in a

leadership role at a program or organizational level. Demonstrated knowledge and ability in the areas of human resources, labour relations, policy development, financial management, as well as quality and risk management is also required. The successful applicant will have extensive knowledge of the Ontario Public Health Standards, and the ability to apply this knowledge in accordance with the health unit's strategic plan. Excellent oral and written proficiency in English is essential. Proficiency in French is considered an asset.

To obtain more information or to express your interest in this leadership opportunity please call Tony Woolgar, Senior Partner and Head of National Healthcare Leadership Practice at 416 902 2974 or forward your resume, in complete confidence, to Tony Woolgar at tony.woolgar@lesp.ca. and to Liz Latimer at liz@lizlatimer.com. The closing date for receipt of applications is November 27, 2024, but applications will be considered immediately upon receipt. To learn more about Renfrew County and District Health Unit please visit their web site at www.rcdhu.com.

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