
SENIOR SCIENTIFIC LEADER - POPULATION HEALTH

- **Recruitment: Open**

Position: Senior Scientific Leader – Population Health

Status: Contract (Part-time)

Posting Date: April 27, 2015

Closing Date: May 18, 2015

The Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (the Partnership) is seeking an experienced leader to assume the position of **Senior Scientific Leader with a focus on Population Health**. This is a part-time opportunity to provide leadership and vision to a portfolio of pan-Canadian work that will have a direct impact on enhancing the quality of life and experience of people with cancer and their families.

Created in 2007, the Partnership is an independent organization funded by the federal government to accelerate action on a national cancer control strategy. The Partnership collaborates with a variety of experts, organizations and stakeholders across the country to harness the best of what is working well to control cancer and to effectively implement this strategy coast to coast. We share with our partners the common goals of reducing the risk of cancer, lessening the likelihood of Canadians dying from cancer and enhancing quality of life for those affected by cancer.

The Partnership's vision is to continue to lead, learn and take action on the growing body of evidence and knowledge about cancer prevention and care. With a focused approach, the Partnership will execute its strategic priorities and tangibly measure and demonstrate how its pan-Canadian cancer control strategy has reduced the burden of cancer on Canadians.

Overview of Role:

The Senior Scientific Leader, Population Health, will report to the Vice-President, Cancer Control, to provide content-specific advice and expertise on Population Health with a view to advancing pan-Canadian initiatives in prevention and screening.

The Senior Scientific Leader, Population Health, will work closely with the Partnership's senior leaders to ensure initiatives are developed and implemented that directly support the organization's 2012–17 Strategic Plan commitments, with a view to measurably making an impact on cancer outcomes across Canada. The Senior Scientific Leader will build strong partnership relationships with other major cancer and public health stakeholders to identify new strategies in this area of cancer control to bring about more significant outcomes for Canadians.

Responsibilities:

- Participate as a member of the Partnership's Cancer Control Council to achieve the Partnership's 2012–17 Strategic Plan commitments and to contribute to the strategic conversation shaping the Partnership's third mandate
- Work across the organization with other Senior Scientific Leaders, Chairs and Expert Leads to identify synergies across initiatives
- Provide strategic advice and expert counsel to the Partnership's leadership team, specifically the Directors of Prevention and Research, and Screening and Early Detection, to support the planning, analysis and implementation of portfolio-specific initiatives
- Contribute broad, new thinking and, through connections with other senior cancer control leaders across Canada and internationally, informing the Partnership's strategic direction based on new findings and developments related to the population health perspective that would inform new, existing or future directions for the organization
- Be an external ambassador for the organization, specifically on issues related to population health
- Support the Partnership's senior leadership team to deliver on Board-approved plans in the area of Population Health and working to embed that perspective in the work of the broader Partnership strategy
- Provide leadership in coordinating, driving and participating in knowledge-exchange or planning events to support and promote the strategic direction of the Partnership
- Follow current trends in international population health strategies and keep the VP, Cancer Control, the Cancer Control Council and the Partnership apprised of new developments that may affect the population health agenda
- Provide expert opinions and advice on behalf of the Partnership on population health initiatives
- Direct and participate in the development of strategies to enhance awareness of the Partnership's strategic direction in the scientific, academic and medical communities nationally and internationally

Knowledge, Skills and Experience:

- Senior health leadership experience, with demonstrated leadership in the areas of population health, cancer research or clinical experience, and demonstrated leadership driving system-wide change at a provincial and/or national level
- An established network of contacts within the cancer control community nationally and preferably, internationally
- Advanced degree in health science (MD, MSc or PhD, with experience in the above areas)
- Outstanding oral and written communications skills, including the ability to translate technical information for public audiences
- Proven ability as an influential presenter
- Strong organizational skills, with the ability to take initiative, handle multiple tasks concurrently and work independently
- Creative, strategic problem-solving skills
- Demonstrated ability to provide strategic-level input and direction as well as lead and contribute to specific deliverables
- Strategic systems thinking and the ability to project the effect of initiatives as they related to the overall impact on the cancer control landscape
- Excellent interpersonal skills, including the ability to interact with researchers, practitioners and health-care and other community leaders collaboratively and effectively to engage them in new and ongoing initiatives
- Demonstrated ability to influence and lead stakeholders to drive results without having direct responsibility for projects
- Understanding of current trends in population-based cancer research, clinical care and standards work
- A record of success in working with a team to achieve common goals
- A strong commitment to the mission of the Partnership
- Editorial experience a plus
- Fluency in French as asset

Term of the Contract:

- This contract position can start on or before September 1st 2015 and runs until March 31st 2017

If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your CV and cover letter to TM@partnershipagainstcancer.ca by May 18, 2015

For additional information, please visit our website at www.partnershipagainstcancer.ca

The Canadian Partnership Against Cancer thanks all applicants; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The Canadian Partnership Against Cancer has a diverse workforce and is an equal opportunity employer.