

#### VANCOUVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES CENTRE

### **Vancouver ID Research and Care Centre Society**

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## Job Description - Research Associate

### **Clinic Description:**

The Vancouver Infectious Diseases Centre (VIDC) is a medical and research centre that uses a multidisciplinary care model for the delivery of specialty health care providing expert, state-of-the art diagnosis and treatment of chronic infectious diseases and related conditions (including addiction and pain management), with a focus on HIV and HCV infections. VIDC particularly seeks to engage more vulnerable patients in a multi-disciplinary environment of health care. We provide peer-friendly education about disease, state-of-the-art antiviral medications and comprehensive support during and after treatment within an open, flexible and community-based holistic approach. Services are provided in English and French.

# **Job Responsibilities and Description:**

VIDC is seeking a dynamic individual to support our patient engagement initiatives in a fast-paced medical and research setting – with a specific focus on HIV, HCV, and other related health conditions. The research associate will be reporting directly to our medical director and manager, and working closely with team and team members.

## **Expectations and Tasks:**

## Research

- Assist with data collection and entry with ongoing observational studies
- Responsible for seeking new research opportunities for VIDC
- Develop and maintain the databases for HCV, HIV and/or co-infection cohorts
- Responsible for drafting of grants, abstracts, and research papers to present VIDC's data internationally
- Able to provide oral presentations on posters and abstracts at a national and international level
- Participate and contribute in VIDC's ongoing research projects and identify new opportunities
- Work closely and interactively with clients and team, maintaining a high-level of communication at all times
- Work closely with Medical Director and other team members to deliver on goals and targets

#### **Outreach Tasks:**

- Assist in the weekly HCV Support Groups and provide education on a health topic to patients
- Participate in weekly Community Pop-Up Clinics (CPCs) to provide point-of-care HCV and HIV testing in the Downtown Eastside community (sometimes in Surrey, Mission and New Westminster)

## **Knowledge and Abilities:**

• Demonstrated ability in dealing with a variety of situations and responsibilities requiring initiative,

# creativity and professional judgment

- Ability to draft hypothesis-driven proposals regarding clinical research
- Ability to work in a community-based multidisciplinary environment
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Proven organizational and multi-tasking skills
- Great attention to detail
- Strong Microsoft Excel skills
- Knowledge about statistical analytical methods and use of statistical programs will be an asset
- Clear writing style, impeccable grammar, and ability to lay out clear set of written arguments in support of grant requests
- Firm grasp of all aspects of the grant development and grant writing cycle will be an asset
- Familiarity with database searches and search techniques
- Outstanding editing, formatting and document management skills
- Drive, self-motivation and a keen attention for detail
- Consistency, reliability, flexibility and professionalism

# **Educational/Professional Requirements:**

- Bachelor degree or equivalent combination of education and experience
- At least two years of experience in a direct grant writing or related role