

North East Medical Health Officer

Northern Health Authority

Northern Health Authority (“Northern Health”) is one of British Columbia’s six health authorities and delivers health care services across northern British Columbia. Serving about 300,000 people, Northern Health covers an area of nearly 600,000 square kilometres and offers services in over two dozen communities through 50 health locations. Northern Health also works collaboratively with the First Nations Health Authority and First Nations to support the health service needs in 55 Indigenous communities throughout the North. The populations of Northern Health’s communities range from a few hundred people to over 80,000 people.

Northern Health places a strong emphasis on working towards healthy communities and populations. Through the efforts of dedicated staff and physicians, and in partnership with communities and organizations, Northern Health’s mission is to provide exceptional health services for Northerners.

More than 7,000 people work for Northern Health across over two dozen hospitals, 14 long-term care facilities, and many public health units and offices providing specialized care. Most of Northern Health’s services run within three geographic operating divisions: North East, Northern Interior, and North West. These are called Health Service Delivery Areas (HSDAs).

Northern Health is seeking a public health leader to join the North East Health Service Delivery Area. Reporting to the Chief Medical Health Officer, the Medical Health Officer, North East (MHO, NE), provides leadership, support and advice in community medicine and administration to various levels of the organization and to community leaders to improve the health of the population. The Medical Health Officer, NE participates in collaborative planning with other MHO’s, NH Executives, and the public health team regarding strategic directions, policy, goals and objectives, and resource allocation to achieve desired outcomes. The MHO, NE leads and participates in health authority-wide and HSDA initiatives and assists the CMHO in providing policy advice to the Executive Team and the Board.

The ideal candidate will be a specialist physician, eligible to be licensed in BC, with the education and experience that includes a Residency Program in Public Health and Preventive Medicine (completed or near completion). Other related Residency program experience combined with a Master of Health Sciences or Public Health will be considered. Ideally the candidate will have five or more years of experience in a senior position responsible for the development, implementation and evaluation of the Public Health programs, and in health promotion and disease prevention. A natural innovator who approaches public and preventive health from an educational perspective, the preferred candidate brings a collegial style and strong interpersonal skills that will allow them to build trusting and productive relationships with a wide variety of community, industry, health and enforcement agency leaders.

This is a career building and visible role that will allow you to work in a highly collegial environment. The position ideally is based in Fort St. John, located in northeastern British Columbia. Fort St. John is an ideal community to raise a family as the hobbies and interests of various family members can be supported. The area is famous for being a recreational paradise (skiing, fishing, hunting), has a vibrant arts and culture scene, offers affordable housing, and is multiculturally diverse. There is easy access to Vancouver, BC Edmonton, AB and Calgary, AB.

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