



BC Centre for Disease Control  
Provincial Health Services Authority



## Physician Epidemiologist

**Communicable Diseases & Immunization Service**  
**Regular Full Time**  
**Vancouver, BC**

Communicable Diseases & Immunization Service is seeking an experienced **Physician Epidemiologist**.

Reporting to the Medical Director of the Communicable Diseases & Immunization Service (CDIS), the Physician Epidemiologist supports the ongoing development of the service as a bridge to other scientific and research resources within the BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC) but also as a hub that links to related health capacity within PHSA, the Health Authorities and the Ministry of Health.

This role is integral to the mandate of the BCCDC in Communicable Diseases. The individual conducts provincial surveillance, outbreak investigation and management, program and policy analysis and makes informed recommendations about communicable disease and prevention control and related activities. Provides consultation and epidemiologic expertise and undertakes program evaluation and relevant research activities to address gaps in knowledge related to communicable diseases.

The Physician Epidemiologist is responsible for public health programs and projects that support:

- BC Health Authorities in meeting their management and service delivery responsibilities;
- The provincial Ministry of Health in meeting its policy, legislative and stewardship responsibilities;
- The Office of the Provincial Health Officer in meeting its legislated and public health leadership responsibilities.

The Physician Epidemiologist must be able to provide senior scientific and medical oversight to division staff who deliver a variety of public health services and programs.

Specific tasks will include the following:

- Supports the Medical Director in the provision of leadership within the Communicable Diseases & Immunization Service ;
- Contributes to the development of strategic and operational plans for CDIS consistent with BCCDC priorities;
- Works with the Medical Director to further develop the capacity of the CDIS to provide expertise and knowledge.

The successful Physician Epidemiologist must be:

- Medically qualified and licensed to practice in British Columbia.
- Hold and maintain licensure with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia, all required licenses, liability insurance (Canadian Medical Protective Association), and meet all requirements of BCCDC and PHSA for this position.
- Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (FRCPC) preferably in Public Health & Preventive Medicine or in Internal Medicine or Pediatrics with infectious disease training, including postgraduate degree in epidemiology/ public health.

Our preferred candidate will also have:

- Proficiency in clinical medicine.
- Excellent communication skills, including public speaking and public relations.
- Ability to supervise clinical and administrative staff.
- Effective interpersonal skills, mature judgment and flexibility.
- Experience (at least 2 years) as a Medical Health Officer, Communicable Disease Epidemiologist, or Federal Field Epidemiologist, are assets.
- Ability and experience in designing, implementing, and conducting studies, their interpretation, written reporting and publication.
- Demonstrated ability to secure grant funding in support of research initiatives also considered an asset.

Applications including a cover letter, CV, the names, title and contact information of three referees should be directed to:

Akosua Tomash  
Advisor, Physician Recruitment  
[physicianrecruitment@phsa.ca](mailto:physicianrecruitment@phsa.ca)

This position will remain open until filled.

### About Us

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 part 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***

For more information about the BC Centre for Disease Control, please visit [bccdc.ca](http://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.*