

ROLE TITLE: Clinical Lead, Genetic Testing Program

REPORTS TO: Manager, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, and

Provincial Head, Pathology and Laboratory

Medicine Program

LOCATION: Ontario

**ANTICIPATED TIME COMMITMENT:** 0.1FTE (0.5 day/week)

**TERM:** 2 years, plus option for 2 year renewal

No. of OPPORTUNITIES: 1

POSTING DATE: May 11, 2022

CLOSING DATE: June 9, 2022

### **POSITION SUMMARY**

Ontario Health is seeking expressions of interest from pathologists and geneticists for the position of Clinical Lead, Genetic Testing Program. The Genetic Testing Program incorporates clinical, quality and performance criteria, and engages clinical and laboratory stakeholders in communities of practice to ensure laboratory practice supports clinical practice, new evidence is incorporated into practice and that testing is provided in a consistent manner throughout the province. This is a unique opportunity to provide strategic leadership as we work to drive quality, accountability and innovation. This opportunity is open to all qualified candidates, including the current Clinical Lead.

Interested parties should forward their expression of interest, cover letter, and curriculum vitae, electronically, to Jennifer Hart, Manager, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at <a href="Jennifer.Hart@ontariohealth.ca">Jennifer.Hart@ontariohealth.ca</a> no later than 11:59 pm on June 9, 2022.

Questions about the role may be submitted to <u>Jennifer.Hart@ontariohealth.ca</u> no later than May 23, 2022. A consolidated list of all questions and answers will be available to any party, by request, by June 1, 2022. To receive a copy of the consolidated list of questions and answers, please contact <u>Jennifer.Hart@ontariohealth.ca</u>

# **ACCOUNTABILITIES**

The key responsibilities of this position include the following:

- Provide expert advice and leadership to PLMP and OH-CCO on the discovery of new genes, implementation of new genetic tests and technologies that could impact lab services
- Lead the development, review and updating of gene lists/test menus
- Serve as Chair of the Genetic Testing Community of Practice
- Advise OH-CCO on matters outlined in the Terms of Reference
- Participate on select committees and provide regular updates to OH-CCO
- Meet with PLMP, and Executive Sponsor, as required, to understand the status of the initiative and to respond
  to any escalated issues.
- Advocate and promote the goals and activities of the Program as required across the province:

- Bring forward to PLMP relevant issues from the stakeholder community and as a result of environmental scanning
- Champion the project through various mediums including presentations to key stakeholders
- Respond to media queries as requested by OH-CCO
- Act as a liaison between OH-CCO and the genetics lab community, clinical services, research, and academia in Ontario, nationally and internationally.
- Review and comment on relevant documents.
- Report on the progress of initiatives as required.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Either a Geneticist or Pathologist with the following:
  - Geneticist: PhD scientist with Canadian College of Medical Genetics or American Board of Medical Genetics board certification and experience in clinical molecular genetics,
  - Pathologist: FRCPC in Anatomical or General Pathology with experience/designation in molecular pathology, or a Medical doctor with MD or equivalent qualification licensed to practice in the province of Ontario
- Five to seven years' experience in a professional leadership role, preferably outside the hospital setting
- Proven track record of clinical leadership at the hospital and/or university level
- Recognized as an opinion leader within the genetic community
- In-depth knowledge of clinical, administrative and system-wide issues with respect to genetics and laboratory medicine services
- Demonstrated commitment to patient focused care and public accountability
- Enthusiasm for, and commitment to, quality improvement in the delivery of genetic services at the system level

## **HOW TO APPLY:**

Interested parties should forward their **expression of interest, cover letter and curriculum vitae**, electronically to <u>Jennifer.Hart@ontariohealth.ca</u> no later than **11:59 pm** on **June 9 2022**.

We will evaluate all applications against the skills and experience requirements for the position. Those candidates selected for interview will be contacted directly by a representative from the Business Unit. Ontario Health may consider applications from incumbents currently in the position. If you have not been contacted within 3 weeks after the close of the posting, you can assume you are not under consideration for this position.

#### **More about Ontario Health:**

An agency of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Ontario Health is the Ontario government's principal advisor on cancer and chronic kidney disease care, as well as access to care for key health services. It is guided by a mission that together we will improve the performance of our health systems in Ontario by driving quality, accountability, innovation and value.

Ontario Health manages infrastructure, assets and models to improve the province's health systems for cancer and chronic kidney disease (through its division the Ontario Renal Network). It also directs and oversees healthcare funds for hospitals and other cancer and chronic kidney disease care providers, enabling them to deliver high-quality, timely services and improved access to care.

As an operational service agency of the Government of Ontario, Ontario Health is accountable for conducting a fair and transparent process, providing equal treatment to all qualified parties, in selecting a candidate for the above mentioned role.

Our website is at: <a href="http://www.ontariohealth.ca">http://www.ontariohealth.ca</a>