



**Canadian Mental  
Health Association**  
Ottawa  
*Mental health for all*

**Association canadienne  
pour la santé mentale**  
Ottawa  
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## EXTERNAL POSTING

The Canadian Mental Health Association, Ottawa Branch (CMHA) is a private, non-profit charitable organization dedicated to promoting good mental health and improving the quality of life for individuals experiencing serious mental illness. The Community Support Services of CMHA provides outreach, long-term intensive support and housing to individuals with serious mental illness and substance abuse disorders who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless.

**CMHA currently has a vacancy for the following position:**

### **REGISTERED NURSE, INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (Temporary, 5 month contract)**

**Type of Position:** Temporary Full-Time  
**Length of Term:** Until March 31, 2021, with the possibility of extension.  
**Hours of Work:** 35 hours per week, Monday to Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm  
**Pay Rate:** \$42.89 - \$45.08

#### **ESSENTIAL MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:** Completion of a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Science (BScN) is preferred.

#### **Additional Certification:**

- CPR certification within the last 12 months is essential.
- Current Canadian Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Certification (Canadian Nurses Association) would be an asset.
- Certification in Infection Control or Occupational Health would be an asset.

**Professional Affiliation:** Current Registration with the College of Nurses of Ontario

**Experience:**

Recent experience in infection prevention and control measures in the context of a pandemic, as well as experience working with individuals with mental illness is essential.

In addition, the following work experience would be an asset:

- Minimum of 3 years relevant working experience
- Working with vulnerable individuals, specifically individuals who are homeless, who have substance use disorders, and/or who have been in conflict with the law
- Administering intramuscular injections, and collecting specimens for diagnostic testing
- Designing and presenting both virtual and face-to-face PPE education and practice sessions to staff to minimize the risk of infectious diseases and outbreaks
- Leading and managing the implementation, maintenance, surveillance and evaluation of infection prevention and control practices at CMHA Ottawa

**Knowledge:**

- Knowledge of current infection control guidelines and best practices for the prevention and control of COVID-19
- Knowledge of mental illness from a bio-psychosocial perspective, knowledge of substance use disorders and treatments
- Knowledge of current mental health and nursing policy, legislation and regulation
- Knowledge of health issues and of social issues associated with psychiatric illness, medications, poverty, and the impact of mental illness on functional capacity

**Skills:**

- Ability to establish positive and supportive relationships with clients and staff
- Enthusiasm in giving presentations to groups of staff and clients on a regular basis
- Ability to respond appropriately to crisis situations, including suicide interventions
- Ability to work independently in a non-structured environment, including the ability to work flexible hours and the ability to work safely without onsite supervision
- Ability to liaise and report to internal committees such as the Joint Health and Safety Committee, as well as external agencies and stakeholders
- Demonstrates time management skills, confidentiality, and the ability to work according to the College of Nurses of Ontario Standards

- Proficiency in a Microsoft Office suite environment, video conferencing, maintaining electronic client files, and fulfilling Ministry reporting requirements

**Language:**

- English essential. Bilingual (French/English) preferred.

**Vehicle:**

- Use of a vehicle is essential in meeting the demands of the job.

**Application Deadline:**

Please submit an application and résumé to **Recruitment at [recruitment@cmhaottawa.ca](mailto:recruitment@cmhaottawa.ca)**.

*The Canadian Mental Health Association is committed to developing inclusive, barrier-free selection processes and work environments. If contacted regarding this job posting, please advise us if there are any accommodation measures you may require.*

Applicants who receive a conditional offer of employment must produce a **Vulnerable Sector Police Records Check**, proof of academic achievement and meet all legal requirements for driving.

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.