

Palliative Care Consultant

Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre, Red Deer, Alberta



If a collegial working environment in a diverse community practice within a 90-minute drive to the Canadian Rocky Mountains is what you are looking for, you've come to the right place!

Alberta Health Services - Central Zone is actively recruiting for full-time Palliative Care Consultant at Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre (RDRHC).

[About Red Deer - The City of Red Deer](#)

Red Deer is a thriving family-friendly city of over 100,000 people that is in close proximity to the Rocky Mountains and many other outdoor attractions. We are ideally situated between Edmonton and Calgary, both less than an hour and a half drive away. Red Deer has all the amenities you need: great school systems, well-equipped hospitals and health centres, and there's always lots to learn at our libraries and museums. With an assortment of recreation facilities, multi-use trails and green spaces along with engaging local culture and art - there's an experience waiting for you.

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Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre No. of Inpatient Beds: 222 No. of Surgical Beds: 72 No. of Intensive Care Beds: 18 No. of Labor & Delivery Beds: 33 No. of Day Surgery Beds: 31 Hospital Statistics: Deliveries: 2500 p/yr Radiology Services: Diagnostic Imaging Ultrasound Computerized Tomography (CT) Scan Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Laboratory Hours of Operation: 24 hrs Kidney Dialysis Unit on Site: Yes Cancer Treatment Services Available on Site: Yes

Acute Care: Provide bedside or virtual palliative care patient consultations on all adult units, ICU and ER within the Red Deer Regional Hospital (RDRH) Centre as requested by other physicians, Monday-Friday, 08:00- 17:00 hours. Provide Palliative Care telephone advice to other physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses caring for patients in other Central Zone hospitals. Attend RDRH Unit 32 Palliative interdisciplinary Team Rounds at least twice a week. Complete bedside rounds and provide Palliative Care advice on all patients on Unit 32 Palliative (up to 11 beds) and any patients with pain and symptom issues

on Unit 32 (Oncology- up to 18 beds), Monday-Friday. Night and weekend call for 24/7 phone advice for Central Zone x 7 days every 6 weeks (in rotation with 5 other Central Zone MDs). May have intermittent support for hospital consult service approximately 1/2-1 day per week from Nurse Practitioner associated with Zone Palliative Care team.

Cancer Clinic: Provide in-person or virtual consultations in rotation with other Palliative Care Clinicians at the Complex Pain and Symptom Clinic at the Central Alberta Cancer Clinic. This would require attendance for one morning about 7 times per year. Home Care/Community: Provide Palliative Care advice to Palliative Care Resource Nurses and Primary Care Physicians throughout Central Zone during weekday office hours and on evenings and weekends during weeks on call. Attend Red Deer Hospice weekly inter-disciplinary Team Rounds (virtual or in-person) at least twice a month. Provide palliative care advice on call services to Central and North Zone physicians together with other physicians on the zone palliative care team. This includes written palliative care advice in response to E-Referral requests sent during weeks on call for the team.

Home Care/Community: Provide Palliative Care advice to Palliative Care Resource Nurses and Primary Care Physicians throughout Central Zone during weekday office hours and on evenings and weekends during weeks on call. Option to attend Red Deer Hospice weekly inter-disciplinary Team Rounds (virtual or in-person). Provide palliative care advice on call services to Central and North Zone physicians together with other physicians on the zone palliative care team. This includes written palliative care advice in response to E-Referral requests sent during weeks on call for the team.

Education: Act as Preceptor to Family Medicine Residents doing mandatory Palliative Care rotations throughout the academic year. Opportunity to teach Medical Students who wish to do Palliative Care electives.

Alberta Health Services hires on the basis of merit. We are committed to the principle of equity in employment. We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified women and men, including persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, and Indigenous persons. We thank all applicants for their interest; only those individuals selected for an interview will be contacted. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply.

Required Qualifications

- Either Certificate of the College of Family Physicians (CCFP) or at least 2 years of clinical experience in primary Palliative Care
- Pallium Canada LEAP Core Course

Desired Qualifications

- Certificate of the College of Family Physicians (CCFP)
- Fellowship in Palliative Care or Enhanced Skills (R3) Year of training in Palliative Care
- Enhanced Skills in Palliative Care R3 Family Medicine Residency
- Pallium Canada LEAP Facilitator Training
- Other Palliative Care Courses (e.g. Victoria Hospice, National/International PC Conferences)

Additional Information

- Position Classification: Full-time (1.0 FTE)
- Department: Family Medicine
- Sponsorship Eligible: Yes
- Compensation: This position is Fee for Service. The Practitioner is responsible for purchasing health and insurance benefits.
- Applications can be submitted at: <http://r.rfer.us/ALBHEALTHQwpH>
- For more information about this opportunity please email physician recruiting at: physician@albertahealthservices.ca