

**Search Profile: Senior Leader, Program Research (6017)**

The Company / Organization

The Alberta Cancer Board (ACB) is the provincial health authority providing comprehensive cancer control programs and services to the residents of Alberta. Exciting and challenging opportunities exist within the ACB due to a major expansion of the ACB's Cancer Prevention Program within the Division of Population Health & Information. Working in partnership with health regions and other health promotion organizations, our program in primary prevention is committed to building the expertise, evidence and programs throughout the province that will lead to the reduction of cancer and other chronic diseases.

With this in mind, the ACB is looking for individuals with a pioneering spirit and ability to take on a lead role in this ground breaking initiative in population health. Joining the ACB's growing team of experts developing innovative strategies to improve the health of all Albertans, this position is highly skilled in applied research. The Senior Leader, Program Research will use their expertise to identify interventions most likely to influence populations and create community environments that support healthy behaviours. Working in partnership with a team of staff and external partners, this position plays a key role in ensuring our strategies are comprehensive and designed with the scientific rigor to contribute to the world knowledge regarding effective approaches.

The Function

Working closely with the Program Unit Leader and other team members the Senior Leader, Program Research will:

- Be passionate and driven to provide scientific leadership in the design and assessment of cancer prevention interventions.
- Ensure that programming initiatives are built on current evidence as well as generating new practice-based evidence.
- Identify knowledge gaps and develop new knowledge through applied research.
- Create knowledge exchange networks by establishing linkages with researchers and other experts at local, national and international levels.
- Facilitate knowledge transfer by acting as a resource to the organization and external stakeholders.
- Disseminate key findings through journal articles, web-based information and other vehicles.
- Have a sound understanding of one or more of the risk factors contributing to cancer such as obesity or exposure to carcinogens.

The Individual

- PhD in Population Health Research or Health Services Research (equivalencies will be considered).
- Strong connections to community, provincial, national, and international experts with a desire to bring a global focus to this Alberta initiative.
- A strong background in applied scientific research involving population health methodology and the application of theoretical models.
- A successful track record of recognized publications.
- Ability to work with health promotion practitioners within a team approach.
- Exemplary communication skills with a strong ability to exchange knowledge and share information.

The Location

Calgary, Alberta

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