



The Barrie & Community Family Health Team (BCFHT) is one of the largest family health teams in Ontario. We are comprised of Physicians, Registered Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Dietitians, Pharmacists, Diabetes and Respiratory Educators, Mental Health Counsellors, Social Workers, Occupational Therapists, Foot Care Nurse, and an administrative team. Our Team is focused on improving access to comprehensive, patient-centered, team-based primary health care, which supports self-management, emphasizes health promotion and disease prevention, and enhances the management of individuals with chronic diseases through programs that are well linked with other local and community services.

The BCFHT is currently searching for a:

## **Respiratory Educator (RN or RRT)** **Permanent - 0.5 FTE**

The Respiratory Educator (RE) works as part of a comprehensive team to provide excellent care to patients with chronic lung health conditions (Asthma, COPD) and to help patients quit smoking through our smoking cessation program. Care is provided through sharing of information, treatment options and mechanisms available to help patients manage their respiratory diseases. The RE also establishes strong communication pathways between patients, family physicians, specialists and other community resources.

### **Primary Responsibilities:**

- Provide care and education to adult and paediatric patients, families and care providers using behaviour management techniques
- Conduct spirometry tests to help diagnosis and assess the severity of respiratory dysfunction
- Apply the latest best-practice standards to improve the health of patients diagnosed with a respiratory illness
- Collaborate with an interdisciplinary team to enhance the care of patients
- Conduct individual and family assessments to identify strengths, resources, psychological factors, socioeconomic impacts, educational needs and barriers to self-management
- Develop, implement and revise customized self-management plans to meet individual needs in collaboration with the patient, their family physician, and other health care practitioners
- Maintain accurate records of patients' therapy using electronic medical records
- Facilitate, and possibly develop, group education sessions, including pulmonary rehabilitation program
- Analyze the effectiveness of the program and help to identify any unmet needs
- Serve as a resource to the team and community by providing information about Asthma, COPD and smoking cessation

### **Education, Qualifications and Skills**

- Current Ontario Regulated Healthcare Professional with current registration to applicable governing body (i.e. RRT or RN with background/special interest in Asthma/COPD/Smoking cessation)
- 3 years experience in related field
- Certified Asthma, COPD or Respiratory Educator preferred
- Strong knowledge of cardiopulmonary disorders, including symptoms, treatment alternatives, drug properties and interactions and preventative care measures
- Aware of best practice guidelines as they relate to lung health
- Willingness and ability to teach/train patients and members of the interdisciplinary team as required
- Able to work evenings as required
- Formal smoking cessation training (such as TEACH) an asset
- Human Rights Code with respect to any exemption requests

**Additional Job Requirements:**

- Must adhere to all BCFHT Policies and Procedures
- Must be legally entitled to work in Canada
- Must be able to travel within the community

BCFHT offers HOOPP (Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan) for those eligible

**How to Apply:**

Qualified applicants are asked to forward their cover letter and resume by **Thursday March 13th, 2025** to [careers@bcfht.ca](mailto:careers@bcfht.ca). For more information on our team please visit our website at [www.barriefht.ca](http://www.barriefht.ca). We thank all applicants for their interest in BCFHT, however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

*The Barrie and Community Family Health Team supports diversity, equity and a workplace free from harassment and discrimination. We encourage applications from all qualified candidates, including women, visible minorities, aboriginal peoples and persons with a disability. Personal information contained in applications will be used for recruitment purposes and collected as per Freedom of Information (F.O.I.) And Protection of Privacy Act, 1987.*

*The Barrie and Community Family Health Team is committed to improving access and opportunities for individuals with disabilities in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. If you require a specific accommodation during the application, interview or recruitment stage, please contact our HR Coordinator by phone at 705-721-0370 x 2121, by fax at 705-725-4708 or by email at [careers@bcfht.ca](mailto:careers@bcfht.ca) noting **Accessibility Inquiry** in the subject line, in order for appropriate accommodations to be made.*