



IWK Health



### Pediatric Emergency Medicine (PEM) position at IWK Health

- *19-bed unit*
- *47,000 annual visits*
- *6- to 8-hour shifts*
- *Full time clinical position*
- *Rotating schedule of days, nights, evenings, and weekends*
- *Redevelopment project to see construction of new 35-bed unit*

The Department of Emergency Medicine at Dalhousie University is seeking a physician for a clinical position in the Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine (PEM) at IWK Health. IWK Health is a respected academic center and serves as the only pediatric trauma and referral center for the Maritime provinces.

The Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine is an academic department of approximately 25 physicians who proudly lead the on-site subspecialty training program in PEM. As members of the Dalhousie University Academic Department of Emergency Medicine we work and collaborate closely with approximately 50 EM physicians at the QEII Health Sciences Centre. Clinicians within the Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine possess expertise in research, medical education, health informatics, quality improvement & patient safety, point of care ultrasound, simulation, disaster medicine, social pediatrics, and EMS & trauma systems. Members are compensated in an AFP model that rewards non-clinical activities including academic pursuits, teaching, and administrative work for many physicians. The PEM group understands work-life balance, which allows for flexibility in scheduling, a one-month unpaid wellness sabbatical every 2 years, and social gatherings, providing a sense of community. As a member of Doctors Nova Scotia, physicians enjoy many benefits including an affordable health and dental plan and parental leave.

Halifax, Nova Scotia is a vibrant and growing ocean-front city with a population of approximately 500,000. Halifax boasts diverse neighbourhoods many of which are an easy walk, bike, or short drive to the IWK Health Centre. Enjoy many excellent restaurants and cafes as well as frequent community events around the city. A quick drive outside the city will bring you to spectacular beaches, vineyards, hiking and mountain bike trails, sailing, surfing, and other outdoor adventures.

IWK Health is committed to promoting an anti-racist environment and calling out discrimination as we work and provide care. We are located in Mi'kma'ki, the unceded and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people. Working in Mi'kma'ki and providing care to those across Atlantic Canada is a shared privilege with the original inhabitants who have lived here for many thousands of years prior to colonization. There are 13 First Nation communities across Nova Scotia, and more than 50 historic African Nova Scotian communities who also have a long, deep, and complex history dating back over 400 years. Nova Scotia has the highest percentage of people with disabilities and the highest proportions of transgender and non-binary people in the country. We are active in our work to eliminate discrimination but have more work to do to build that trust, acknowledge our biases and reduce the barriers our diverse communities face. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply.

Interested applicants must hold an MD degree or equivalent and be eligible for licensure in Nova Scotia. The ideal candidate will have completed subspecialty training in PEM through the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (or equivalent). Consideration will also be given to those with clinical experience in

Emergency Medicine who have demonstrated competency and recent experience managing acutely ill and injured children. Canadian and permanent residents will be given priority.

Please send your letter of interest, CV and 3 reference letters **by March, 2026** to:

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