Seeking Applications for Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) in Pediatric Pain and Palliative Care

Children’s Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota is one of the largest freestanding pediatric health care systems in the United States, with more than 4,800 employees (including over 220 credentialed APRN’s), 385 staffed beds (50% of those in intensive care) at its two hospitals in St. Paul and Minneapolis and 26 primary and specialty clinics throughout the Twin Cities (3.5 million inhabitants in the metro area). An independent, not-for-profit health care system, Children’s of Minnesota provides care through more than 14,600 inpatient admissions, 20,800 surgical cases, 8,800 home visits, and more than 96,200 emergency room and 314,000 clinic visits every year.

The Department of Pain Medicine, Palliative Care, and Integrative Medicine at Children’s Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota is seeking a Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) in pain medicine and palliative care

With currently 40 employed staff members, the Department of Pain Medicine, Palliative Care and Integrative Medicine is one of the largest and most comprehensive programs of its kind in the country. We seek a full-time Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (NP or CNS) to join the expanding inter-disciplinary Pain, Palliative & Integrative Medicine department. The successful applicant would be a full-time APRN joining an interdisciplinary team providing care for patients from infancy through adolescence with pain & palliative care needs both inpatient and in the outpatient clinic.

The exciting and ambitious program of the Pain, Palliative & Integrative Medicine department, aims to treat and prevent acute, chronic and procedural pain at Children’s Minnesota and sees patients both in the hospital and in pain clinic. In additions we provide holistic, interdisciplinary care for children and teens with serious life-limiting or terminal diseases and their families in the hospital, palliative care clinic, and at home. Integrative Medicine provides holistic assessment, guidance for diet and nutrition and mind-body interventions such as hypnosis, biofeedback, massage, aromatherapy and much more. Please access the following link for a full description of our department: https://www.childrensmn.org/painpalliativeintegrativemed

In 2015 we opened a unique, one-of-a-kind 10,000 square foot “Healing Environment” Pain, Palliative and Integrative Medicine Clinic and the candidates office would be located there: https://vimeo.com/122654881

The Pain, Palliative & Integrative Medicine program was a 2016 recipient of the “Childkind International” Designation for our strong commitment to pain prevention and management and a recent recipient of the “Clinical Centers of Excellence in Pain Management Award” by the American Pain Society. We received the distinguished Circle of Life award (sponsored by the American Hospital Association).

Our Children’s Institute for Pain & Palliative Care (CIPPC) provides comprehensive teaching, including the annual Pediatric Pain Master Class http://www.cvent.com/d/kfq8qm and EPEC-Pediatrics http://epec.net/epec_pediatrics.php .

It would be desirable for the applicant to have clinical experience in hospice & palliative medicine and/or pain management in children and teenagers. Experienced candidates with an excellent skill set of managing children with acute and chronic conditions, may also apply and would then be trained through our program.

This position will include on-call responsibilities on a rotation basis with the other clinicians. Good communication skills, flexibility and a desire to learn together with the interdisciplinary team are a must. The APRN will work with a team that covers both the Minneapolis and St. Paul campuses.

If interested, the successful applicant may participate in research, education, quality improvement (incl. our system-wide Lean Value-Stream “The Children’s Comfort Promise: We promise do to everything to prevent and treat pain.”)

The successful candidate will work with an interdisciplinary team, including physicians, MD fellow, advanced practice registered nurses, nurses, social workers, psychologists, chaplain, child life specialist, research staff, massage therapists, music therapist, integrative medicine therapists plus support/administrative staff to assure timely assessment and intervention for all children referred to the program.

Qualifications include:
- Bachelor’s degree in nursing; Master’s or higher degree in nursing.
- Current MN RN license (or eligibility)
- Current Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist certification or Nurse Practitioner certification required.

For consideration, please send your detailed cover letter and resume/CV to to: Ryan Berreth, Administrator of Physician and APP Recruitment, Ryan.Berreth@childrensMN.org, (612) 813-8125. We invite you to explore our website at www.childrensMN.org for additional information about Children’s. Children’s Hospitals and Clinics is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

For further questions, inquiries, or applications contact the medical director of the department of pain medicine, palliative care and integrative medicine at phone 612-813-6405 or Stefan.friedrichsdorf@childrensMN.org or Barb Symalla, CNS Barb.Symalla@childrensMN.org
FUN FACTS about Twin Cities of Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota:

• Minneapolis = City of 10 Lakes (& 187 parks!)
• 3.5 million people in metro area
• Snowy winter (closest two downhill skiing areas 25 minutes from hospital), groovy spring, summer & fall
• Minnesota is home to 19 Fortune 500 companies (15 in the Twin Cities), more than any other state
• America’s most literate city
• Biggest shopping mall in US
• Most theater seats after New York City