



Palliative Medicine Position
HNHB Organization of Palliative Care Physicians (HOPE)
&
The Department of Complex Care and Palliative Care (Hamilton Health Sciences)



We jointly seek a Palliative Medicine Physician for a 0.8 FTE position effective immediately to work as a team physician on the Niagara West Palliative Care Team.

The Niagara West Palliative Care Team serves the western region of Niagara, specifically the municipalities of Grimsby, Lincoln, and West Lincoln. Based out of the Hamilton Health Sciences site of West Lincoln Memorial Hospital in Grimsby, the team provides specialist level Palliative care collaboration and consultation to family physicians and medical specialists using a shared-care model. It is a key teaching team for the Division of Palliative Care, Department of Family Medicine, McMaster University where year around teaching commitments include medical students, nursing students, medical residents, and fellows. Care is provided in all care settings in the area including hospital, home, LTC, assisted living residences and McNally House Hospice. The Palliative Care physician is responsible to follow patients after initial consult with appropriate visits, phone support and collaboration with the patient's other health care providers, in a manner that is most supportive of each family physician and patient. The physician works closely with the Clinical Nurse Specialist who acts as Clinical Coordinator for the team. This physician position also involves clinical and leadership opportunities as our team expands service by embedding a palliative approach to care into multi-specialist outpatient care based out of West Lincoln Memorial Hospital as well as outreach into LTC and primary care practice in the region for palliative care capacity building.

Qualifications:

- MD with CCFP or FRCPC certification
- Accredited training in Palliative Medicine or Certificate of Added Competence in Palliative Care, or acceptable combination of training and experience
- Applicants with equivalent formalized training or practice in palliative care (e.g. in a jurisdiction outside of Canada, Traineeship, Fellowship) and with a plan to obtain CAC/Royal College Certification may be considered in extenuating circumstances
- Eligible for licensure by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario
- Eligible to attain a faculty appointment with the Division of Palliative Care, Department of Family Medicine, McMaster University at or above the rank of assistant clinical professor
- Demonstrated ability and experience working in a shared care model and across a multitude of care settings
- Demonstrated interest in the palliative approach to care and capacity building with other colleagues
- Demonstrated track record of academic teaching and clinical research and administration

The successful candidate will hold a clinical appointment in both the Department of Complex Care and Palliative Care and the Department of Family Medicine at Hamilton Health Sciences and will be a member of HOPE, a clinical organization funded by the Ontario Ministry of Health Alternate Funding Plan (AFP). Members provide clinical palliative care across multiple care settings throughout the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant area.

The Division of Palliative Care within the Department of Family Medicine in collaboration with the Department of Medicine is responsible for the development and delivery of interprofessional initiatives in Palliative Care across all faculties and medical specialties at McMaster University and its partner sites. McMaster University's distinctive approach to teaching and its collaborative research community are the basis of its international reputation for innovation, highly rated student experiences, and research excellence.

Niagara West is situated within the Golden Horseshoe and is the 'gateway' to Niagara and its wine regions. Established industry, cultural diversity, a rich historical background, beautiful landscape, and a variety of recreational activities offer an excellent quality of life and provide a small town feel with easy access to many major cities.

Interested candidates please send curriculum vitae and cover letter by **July 10, 2026 at 12 pm** to:

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Applications will be accepted until the successful candidate is found

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