

## Thinking about Pediatric Intensive Care Nursing at BC Children's Hospital?



The Critical Care program at BC Children's treats more than 1,200 children annually and is the only ICU of its kind in the province. Through a family-centered approach, we care for newborn to 17 year-old children with life threatening disease, injuries or following surgery. The interprofessional team is focused on achieving the best possible outcomes and providing leadership in research and education.

The Critical Care Unit is a 22 bed specialty area where a step down unit of 8 beds is embedded. The nursing team is well supported by a leadership team who ensure that our nurses can provide the best possible quality patient care while utilizing education and research resources creatively and effectively.

Nurses care for one patient with complex needs requiring the coordination of many care providers. Minute to minute observation takes place in an open, sophisticated and technological environment. Specialized and ongoing training supports your expertise as you provide extraordinary care requiring continuous monitoring and specialized pharmaceutical and technological support. Our nurses are among the world's most experienced in treating pediatric disease, trauma and other life-threatening health issues in this young population through skilled assessment, thorough treatment plans, and careful evaluation.

## An Environment of Research, Learning & Professional Development

Clinical care is changing all the time as we look for sustainable improvements in clinical practice. Within the PICU our research is broad based and highly focused. as well, opportunities to gain experience across a wide range of complex and evolving practice initiatives exist for nursing teams. Members of our team are encouraged and expected to become actively involved in:

- single centre and multi centre clinical research
- social and health care research
- collaborative approach to quality improvements
- caring for advanced, complex patients
- working with the Medical Emergency Team and on the Code Blue Team
- Extra-Corporeal Life Support

BCCH's PICU promotes a culture of learning in which nurses are supported as they pursue professional development opportunities. Right from the start, our comprehensive orientation program sets the stage for advanced learning and clinical pathways designed to ensure that your level of expertise is evolving. You will also be part of a team committed to mentoring and educating the next generation of nurses as you play a role in preceptorship and new graduate learning within this unit.

### SHARING THE EXPERIENCE FROM OUR PICU TEAM:

*"It's the team work and patient outcomes that draw me to work in PICU." ~ "Everyday is a new day... I enjoy the challenge!"*  
*"There's always something new to learn ... it's a very inspiring place to work." ~ "PICU is a great place to work because it offers such great educational opportunities."*  
*"Just think, you could be presenting at the next World Congress for Pediatric Critical Care!"*

## Dedication.



## Outstanding.



## Futures.



BC Children's Hospital (BCCH) cares for the province's most acutely ill or injured children and youth, provides developmental and rehabilitation services to children and youth throughout BC, and offers a broad range of health services. Sunny Hill Health Centre for Children (SHHC), a leading provincial facility offering specialized services to children and youth with developmental disabilities from birth to age 19, works collaboratively with BCCH. SHHC focuses on the child and their family while supporting health care professionals in their community. BCCH also operates a wide number of specialized health programs, is a leading acute care teaching facility, and conducts research to advance health and care through the Child and Family Research Institute and in partnership with UBC.

BCCH is an agency of the **Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA)** which plans, manages and evaluates specialty and province-wide health care services across BC. PHSA embodies values that reflect a commitment to excellence. These include: *Patients first • Best value • Results matter • Improvements through knowledge • Open to possibilities.*

# It Takes A Special ♥ Person To Be A Pediatric Critical Care Nurse

## Find your fit and your focus as a specialty PICU nurse!

## Are you a motivated nurse with a passion for child health?

You must have a BScN and current registration, or eligibility, with the College of Registered Nurses of BC together with at least one year of nursing experience in a general or specialty setting. **NEW GRADS ARE WELCOME** and will be offered a comprehensive orientation and training program.

For more information about PICU opportunities, please email [lhand@phsa.ca](mailto:lhand@phsa.ca)

For more information on all that the PHSA has to offer, please visit: <http://careers.phsa.ca>

For more information about the Agency, please visit the website at: [www.bcchildrens.ca](http://www.bcchildrens.ca)

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### *We can offer you:*

- ♥ A comprehensive orientation program
- ♥ Ongoing training and investment in your future career path
- ♥ Flexible scheduling
- ♥ Mentorship/coaching programs
- ♥ 12 hour shifts
- ♥ Advanced practice opportunities

### *In a supportive family centred team environment that values:*

- ♥ Respect
- ♥ Integrity
- ♥ Innovation
- ♥ Dedication

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