

Knowledge Translation Agent Canadian Research Initiative in Substance Matters (CRISM): Atlantic Node

The Canadian Research Initiative in Substance Matters - Atlantic node is one of five nodes within the CRISM network, a Canada-wide intervention research network in the field of substance use. The goal is to accelerate the transfer of scientific knowledge towards the development of new medications, psychological interventions, treatments, and services for people who use substances and those with substance use disorders.

The CRISM Atlantic node acknowledges that we are working in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People.

Position description: The CRISM Atlantic node is searching for a .50 FTE Knowledge Transfer Agent (KTA).

The KTA will work under the supervision of Dr. Sherry Stewart (Dalhousie University), as part of the CRISM Atlantic Node Core Operating Team (COT). The KTA will be responsible for assisting the Node Manager (NM) and other COT members in managing the CRISM Atlantic website, online media presence (news articles, publications, etc.), and social media (LinkedIn, X, etc.). In addition, the KTA will assist in the development of processes and materials for internal consultations, templates to be used in communication tools, and protocols for implementation evaluation. The KTA should familiarize themselves with CRISM's national and Atlantic regional objectives and knowledge users' needs, be familiar with implementing strategies to represent these needs, maintain relevant CRISM Atlantic publication and media records, and compile and develop educational resources for CRISM Atlantic members. Over time, the KTA will be involved in conducting analyses and assisting with reporting and dissemination of the KTE activities.

Required skills and qualifications:

- Diploma or certificate program in communications with 2-year minimum related communications experience, including online formats for information communications, developing communications and knowledge user relations strategies;
- Proficiency in WordPress, Mailchimp, MS Office suite, and other graphics editing software is required;
- Experience with and knowledge of online formats for scientific communication;
- Experience developing communications and knowledge user relations plans in research or academic environments
- Knowledge in substance use intervention research and practice
- Establishing and maintaining effective communications with individuals and groups involved in CRISM projects.
- Superior written and oral communication skills with the ability to communicate complex information, clearly and concisely (French language skills considered an asset)
- Excellent attention to detail and ability to learn new skills

Preferred skills and experiences:

- Experience maintaining knowledge records and media (publications, articles etc.)
- Experience and understanding of the research pipeline (academic and other funding structures)
- Knowledge and experience working with multidisciplinary translational research teams
- Experience in patient-oriented research and working with people with living and lived experience
- Flexibility for occasional travel and work outside of business hours

Part-time: A 1-year, renewable contract at .50 FT. Extension subject to the candidate's assessment and availability of funds.

Salary: Pay is based on \$50,000 (FTE), adjusted for inflation. Benefits (subject to mandatory deductions from pension and health insurance contributions), health insurance, and annual leave will be based on the conditions for part-time positions held by grant-paid employees at Dalhousie University.

Position Location: Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Immigration requirements: In accordance with Canada immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Posting deadline: February 22nd, 2025 or until the position is filled. **E-Mail** Cover letter & CV to: jennifer.crism@gmail.com.

Application Consideration: CRISM Atlantic is also looking to fill a Training Coordinator role (PTE) and would consider applicants with relevant experience in these two areas who may be interested in combining the two roles to create a full-time role (FTE). Follow this link for Training Coordinator role. **If applying for the combined role, submit a resume and cover letter reflecting such.** Thank-you to all applicants. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.



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