

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST  
IN  
Critical Care and Emergency Care Education Program**

***Location: Charlottetown and Summerside***

***OPEN ONLY TO EMPLOYEES OF THE PEINU BARGAINING UNIT, DEPARTMENT  
OF HEALTH***

The PEI Health System is working in partnership with other organizations to find creative solutions to various recruitment issues in health care. Nurses' organizations, employers and all levels of government (federal, provincial, local) are taking concrete action together to address the nursing shortage.

The PEI Department of Health, the PEI Nurses Union, and the University of PEI School of Nursing are working together to develop and implement a P.E.I. based Critical Care and Emergency Nursing Program that will provide opportunities for nurses to build their critical care skills which will enhance patient care.

Two 14-15 week Critical Care/Emergency nursing education programs will be offered in Fall 2009 and Winter 2010. The courses will involve classroom, lab simulation, and clinical placement.

We are looking to establish the level of interest in this program. There will be 14 seats available during the project. This is a temporary program and open to members of PEINU. Successful candidates will maintain their current level of pay while completing the program. A return in service agreement within a critical care nursing service will be required of all successful applicants. Current BLS is required.

**The Process**

If this program interests you, please submit a one page summary that describes why you want to pursue this opportunity. Please consider the following questions in your response:

1. What area of nursing are you currently working in?
2. How many years of nursing experience do you have? (Please specify Critical Care/Emergency experience)
3. Why are you interested in this education program?
4. What other critical care/emergency nursing programs have you taken?
5. How will this help achieve your career goals?

**Please forward your expression of interest, by June 29, 2009 at 1600hr, along with your resume to:**

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