

# **Registered Midwife(s) – Lethbridge, Alberta**

Specialty:	Registered Midwife (RM)	
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City/Town: Lethbridge, AB

Location: Lethbridge and surrounding communities

Organization: Alberta Health Services

Date Posted: July 6, 2021

#### Date Closed: Will remain open until positions filled

Position Starts: As soon as possible

Type: Full time practice

FTE: 2 Registered Midwife positions are available in Lethbridge

# MIDWIFERY SERVICES - ALBERTA CONTEXT

In Alberta, Midwifery Services are funded through Alberta Health Services (AHS). AHS contracts with midwifery practices to provide services in a geographic area, and individual registered midwives work with a contracted midwifery practice. Opportunities to establish new practices in an area may exist, depending on community need.

As the funders of midwifery services within AHS, the Provincial Midwifery Administrative Office will recruit Registered Midwives to available positions in a geographic area, based on community need and resource availability, as outlined in the AHS Midwifery Staff Bylaws and Rules.

We are happy to provide further context around midwifery services in Alberta to candidates contacted for an interview.

#### **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

#### Position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

This position will provide midwifery services to clients in the South Zone in the Lethbridge and surrounding areas.

# RMs are not employees of AHS, but contracted providers who are granted an AHS Appointment and Clinical Privileges in the geographic area where they practice.

Responsibilities include, but may not be limited to:

- Reside in the community of Lethbridge or surrounding areas
- Provide midwifery services within the community of Lethbridge
- Contribute to and participate in teaching programs and activities
- Contribute to and participate in other administrative responsibilities as assigned
- Work collaboratively as part of the maternal care team in the community of Lethbridge

#### QUALIFICATIONS

This role requires applicant to be eligible for registration with the College of Midwives of Alberta (CMA). Prior to beginning practice in the community, the successful candidate will require a valid Practice Permit from the CMA, and hold appropriate liability insurance.

#### Position will remain open until a suitable candidate(s) is found.

#### Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

#### ABOUT LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA

Lethbridge is a city located south east of Calgary along the Oldman River. The population is 101,482 (according to the 2019 municipal census). It is a small city full of charm and friendly people! Agriculture is the main industry in Southern Alberta, and plays an important role in the city as well. There are two post-secondary institutions in the city; Lethbridge College and the University of Lethbridge. The city has a lot to explore, including history, a lively arts scene, and many ways to get outside and enjoy nature.

Find out more about Lethbridge:

#### About Lethbridge

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Lethbridge is also just a short drive from Waterton National Park, a beautiful area of the foothills filled with wildlife, stunning sights, and some of the best hiking in North America.

Find out more about Waterton National Park:

# Waterton, Alberta Official Travel Information (mywaterton.ca)

Registered Midwives practicing in Lethbridge are part of the maternal care team and have Clinical Privileges at Chinook Regional Hospital, working collaboratively as part of the team which includes Community Family Practice, Obstetrics, Gynecology, Nursing, Pediatrics, and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

The Chinook Regional Hospital is the main hospital for the City of Lethbridge and many surrounding areas. The facility offers maternal services, surgical services, and a NICU 24/7.

# LOCAL MIDWIFERY SERVICES

Currently this area is served by Lethbridge Community Midwives. Lethbridge Community Midwives is an established practice with a team of four full time Registered Midwives serving a large catchment in the southwest corner of Alberta. The practice cares for clients within the city of Lethbridge and the surrounding areas, including families in Claresholm, Nobleford, Fort Macleod, Pincher Creek, Cardston, Coaldale, and the rural areas in between. The practice has clinics set up in both Lethbridge and Cardston.

Terri Demers and Eve Verdon have been practicing in the area for many years and established the practice within the community. Terrie Shaw and Beverly Sinnema joined their practice in 2019. The practice is excited to have additional Registered Midwives practicing with them, or in the area.

Further information about their practice can be found here: <u>https://lethbridgemidwives.com/</u>

The midwives in the practice handle scheduling, intakes and running lab tests for midwifery services.

All disposable equipment is provided by the practice, as well as homebirth equipment. The practice has access to bedside ultrasound and an NST machine is available in their clinic space.

#### COMPENSATION

Remuneration for midwifery services through AHS will be funded through a contracted midwifery practice.

# INTERESTED APPLICANTS

Please send your resume to midwives@ahs.ca