



HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL SERVICES
IN THE EASTERN TOWNSHIPS

TRAINING AND HIRING FOR THE FUTURE

PRIESH

Partnerships for Regional Integration
of English-Speaking Health Care Professionals

The PRIESH project is a regional initiative and seeks to increase the number of English-speaking health care professionals in the Estrie region of the Eastern Townships in order to 'ensure that English-speaking Quebecers enjoy equitable access in their own language to the range of health and social services offered to the entire population' (www.mcgill.ca/hssaccess/).

The background of the slide features five stylized silhouettes of people of various ethnicities and ages, shown in profile and facing each other as if in a group conversation. The silhouettes are dark blue against a lighter blue background.

The health care sector in the Eastern Townships has a huge need for qualified English-speaking health care professionals.

**Where will we find them?
How can we interest you?**

PRIESH, Partnerships for Regional Integration of English-Speaking Health Care Professionals, is part of the McGill Training and Human Resources Project. The project goal is to increase the number of English-speaking health care professionals in the Estrie region of the Eastern Townships. Project objectives include:

- Facilitating clinical placements for English-speaking health care students in Estrie;
- Providing externships for English-speaking health care students in Estrie;
- Providing summer jobs for English-speaking health care students in Estrie.



For a rewarding and stimulating career, consider the health care sector.

The PRIESH project offers many advantages and opportunities to students enrolled in health care studies:

- The possibility of clinical placements in the Estrie health care and social service institutions. These clinical placements, or *stages*, can be part of your regular program of study.
- Access to summer employment opportunities in the health care and social service institutions of the region. These employment opportunities include general hospital employment for first year and second year health care students. It also includes summer externships for second year Nursing students and second year Inhalation therapy students.

The health care establishments offer future health care professionals employment opportunities in different sectors of the network. These establishments offer a stimulating and dynamic environment

- where ongoing learning is valued;
- where quality of life in the workplace is a priority;
- where it is possible to balance work and personal life, or work and studies;
- where maintaining and upgrading skills is assured.

The PRIESH project facilitates communication between the Quebec English academic health care programs and the regional health care institutions in Estrie so that future health care professionals can have a variety of opportunities in the region.

Home care



Extended care



Hospital care



Teaching



The **PRIESH** initiative focuses on specific health care programs of study (vocational, collegial and university), and specific types of employment in the health care field. In the coming five years, hiring in the health care sector in Estrie is expected to increase substantially. The programs, clinical placements, and job positions concerned are as follows:

HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS	CLINICAL PLACEMENTS BEING SOLICITED IN ESTRIE	TYPES OF JOBS
<p>Vocational Nursing Assistants</p> <p>CEGEP Biomedical Laboratory Technology Nursing Radiation Technologies Respiratory Therapy</p> <p>University Dietetics Nursing Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy Psychology Social Work Speech Therapy</p>	<p>Dietetics Biomedical Lab Technology Nursing Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy Psychology Radiation Technologies Respiratory Therapy Social Work Speech Therapy</p>	<p>Dietitians Lab Technicians Nurses (DEC) Nurses (B.Sc. or M.Sc.) Nursing Assistants (LPN) Respiratory Therapists Rehabilitation Therapy Technicians Radiology Technicians Occupational Therapists Physiotherapists Psychologists Social Workers Speech Therapists</p>

The Eastern Townships needs health care professionals!

Hiring in the health care sector will increase significantly in the coming years across Quebec. Some of the reasons:

- departure of baby boomers from the work force;
- provision of parental leave for an increasing number of individuals;
- expectation that a greater numbers of Townshippers will need to have access to health care facilities.

Between now and 2010, the health and social services institutions in the Estrie region of the Eastern Townships are expected to hire 5000 new employees!

There's a place for you in the Eastern Townships!

The Eastern Townships: Where nature and urban living are never far apart!

Choosing to study or work in the Eastern Townships means having quality education and training adapted to your career goals and to your chosen lifestyle. The Eastern Townships is an area of great beauty given the region's blend of mountains and lakes located close to major urban centers. Your choice to settle and work in Estrie will guarantee you a quality of life that is difficult to surpass. Estrie is well known for its educational institutions, its health care network, its extraordinary natural surroundings and its cultural and sporting amenities.



Interested?

To learn more about the opportunities available from the PRIESH project, contact **Cynthia Van Vliet** at cv@priesh.info or **Heather Keith** at hk@priesh.info

The PRIESH project collaborates with a similar project PRIMOS, “Partenariat régional d’intégration de la main-d’oeuvre en santé”, regarding externships and student summer employment in regional health care institutions.

THE PRIESH PROJECT PARTNERS INCLUDE:

HEALTH CARE	EDUCATION	OTHER PARTNERS
Agence de la santé et des services sociaux de l’Estrie Centre hospitalier universitaire de Sherbrooke (CHUS) Centre de santé et de services sociaux – Institut universitaire de gériatrie de Sherbrooke (CSSS-IUGS) Centres de santé et de services sociaux (CSSS) : <ul style="list-style-type: none">• de la MRC d’Asbestos• de la MRC de Coaticook• de la MRC de Memphremagog• de la MRC du Haut-Saint-François• de la MRC du Val-Saint-François• de la MRC du Granit Centre de réadaptation de L’Estrie Centre jeunesse de l’Estrie Massawippi Christian Retirement Homes Wales Home	Eastern Townships School Board Cégep de Sherbrooke Cégep John Abbott College Cégep Vanier College Champlain Regional College Dawson College Heritage College Bishop’s University Concordia University McGill University Université de Sherbrooke	The Canadian Federation of University Women of Sherbrooke & District Projet PRIMOS Townshippers’ Association

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The PRIESH project is part of the **Training and Human Resources Development Project implemented by McGill University and funded by Health Canada**. The PRIESH project is a regional initiative and seeks to increase the number of English-speaking health care professionals in the Estrie region of the Eastern Townships in order to better meet the health care needs of the Estrie population.