



Hospitalist Physician Upper River Valley

START DATE

Flexible - Interested candidates can arrange a site visit and/or a locum placement to trial the position, with transportation and accommodation expenses covered.

UPPER RIVER VALLEY

Nestled in the picturesque Upper River Valley region of New Brunswick, this welcoming community offers an idyllic setting along the serene riverbanks. Boasting affordable housing and a cost of living well below the national average, the area provides a comfortable lifestyle. Within a short 15-minute commute to the hospital, residents enjoy safe neighbourhoods and access to quality schools.

Outdoor enthusiasts will find themselves in paradise with abundant recreational opportunities, including boating, golfing, and renowned fishing spots. Well-maintained trails cater to hiking, biking, ATVing, and snowmobiling enthusiasts, while a vibrant calendar of festivals and community programs ensures there's always something to engage in.

For further details, explore <https://tourismnewbrunswick.ca/upper-saint-john-river-valley>.

THE WORKPLACE

Hospitalist medicine in the Upper River Valley is based at **Upper River Valley Hospital (URVH)**, a rural community hospital serving a catchment population of approximately 45,000–46,000 residents across west-central New Brunswick.

URVH is a 47-bed facility with a 5-bed concentrated care unit and offers a comprehensive range of services including:

- Family Medicine
- General Surgery
- Internal Medicine
- Intensive Care
- Family Medicine Obstetrics (FMOB)
- Anesthesia
- Ambulatory Oncology

The hospital is equipped with modern diagnostic technology, including CT and MRI services, supporting timely clinical decision-making and improved patient flow.



Cardiac and major trauma patients are coordinated for transfer to referral centres as required, while most general medical and surgical care is managed locally.

URVH is also a teaching site for **Dalhousie University Family Medicine**, providing opportunities for clinical teaching and mentorship in a supportive rural academic environment.

The hospitalist team is collegial and collaborative, working closely with nursing and allied health professionals in a close-knit setting where physicians know their colleagues well and practice broad, meaningful medicine.

THE POSITION

Horizon Health Network is seeking a salaried full-time Hospitalist to join the team at URVH.

Hospitalists provide comprehensive inpatient care to:

- Patients without a local family physician
- Patients whose family physician does not have hospital privileges
- Admissions requiring family medicine hospital-level care

Key features of the role include:

- Approximate patient census of 15 patients
- Shared evening and weekend call responsibilities
 - Typically one night per week
 - One weekend per month
- Participation in the in-hospital code team when on site

Daily responsibilities include:

- Comprehensive assessment and inpatient management
- Optimization of admission orders and investigations
- Coordination of multidisciplinary care
- Efficient discharge planning and completion of discharge summaries
- Organization of daily rounds to support acutely ill patients and timely discharges
- Participation in quality improvement and adherence to evidence-based standards

This position offers a broad and rewarding rural hospital practice with strong team support and meaningful community impact.

THE OFFER

Remuneration is salaried under the provincial Medical Pay Plan.

- Moving expense allowance
- Access to CME support
- Eligibility for provincial recruitment and retention incentives (where applicable)
- A rural recruitment incentive of \$100,000 for a 4-year return of service



YOUR QUALIFICATIONS

- Medical degree
- Eligible for licensure with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New Brunswick
- Member in good standing with CPSNB
- CCFP preferred
- CMPA coverage appropriate to scope of practice
- ACLS preferred
- Strong communication and team-based care skills
- Good attendance and professional work record

Experience in hospital-based medicine is considered an asset but is not required.