

Government of Northwest Territories

IDENTIFICATION

Department	Position Title	
Northwest Territories Health and Social Services Authority	Transportation Clerk	
Position Number(s)	Community	Division/Region(s)
47-1367	Inuvik	Operations/Beaufort Delta

PURPOSE OF THE POSITION

The Transportation Clerk is responsible for the supporting the delivery of transportation services for the Northwest Territories Health and Social Services Authority (NTHSSA) Beaufort Delta Region (BDR). The position also ensures the integrity of controllable assets for the BDHSSA and is cross trained with the Warehouse Technician to ensure minimal disruption to services within the Operations Division.

SCOPE

The Northwest Territories Health and Social Services Authority (NTHSSA) is the single provider of all health and social services in the Northwest Territories (NWT), with the exception of Hay River and Tłįchǫ regions, covering 1.2 million square kilometers and serving approximately 43,000 people, including First Nations, Inuit, Metis, and non-aboriginals. Health and social services includes the full range of primary, secondary and tertiary health services and social services including family services, protection services, care placements, mental health, addictions, and developmental activities, delivered by more than 1,400 health and social services staff.

While the Tłįcho Community Services Agency (TCSA) will operate under a separate board and Hay River Health and Social Services Agency (HRHSSA) will in the interim, the NTHSSA will set clinical standards, procedures, guidelines and monitoring for the entire Northwest Territories. Service Agreements will be established with these boards to identify performance requirements and adherence to clinical standards, procedures, guidelines and policies as established by the NTHSSA.

Under the direction of the Minister of Health and Social Services, the NTHSSA is established to

move toward one integrated delivery system as part of the government's transformation strategy.

The NTHSSA-BDR provides and supports the delivery of health care and social services to adults and children on an inpatient, outpatient, and outreach basis in order to enhance healthy community well-being through excellence, accountability and respect for regional diversity. The NTHSSA-BDR directly and contractually employs over 300 staff in the Beaufort Delta Region who deliver these services in eight communities through the Inuvik Regional Hospital, seven community health centres, and seventeen other sites including social services and dental therapy offices, public health clinics and various group homes. There are approximately 7500 residents in the Beaufort Delta region.

Located in Inuvik and reporting to the Transportation Supervisor, the incumbent is responsible for vehicle fleet maintenance, the care and services of the Handi Van vehicle booking, usage and maintenance and ensuring clients receive appropriate and safe transportation to and from designated points in the Town of Inuvik. The incumbent provides inventory of controllable assets to eight (8) surrounding communities including Inuvik and assists with orientation of casual staff within the Division. The incumbent determines their own scheduling to most efficiently meet the needs of clients and staff, as delays in service could create needless stress for all parties involved. The incumbent works with staff, contractors, public, outside agencies and other Government departments. The *Motor Vehicles Act* and BDHSSA policies and procedures guide the incumbent.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Provides efficient and safe transportation of homecare clients, patients, staff and personal effects to ensure client needs are met.
 - Daily contact is made with the Medical Travel Representation, the Elders Day Program Coordinator and the Team Leader of the Long Term Care Unit.
 - Daily contact with the Medical Services staff including physicians, nurses, homecare personnel and pharmacists regarding travel services for patients and deliveries.
 - Transports NTHSSA- BDR clients and their personal effects within the Town of Inuvik, while ensuring handicapped or confined patients are properly and safely secured prior to transporting to prevent injury. Operates the Handi Van in a safe and conscientious manner at all times to reduce the chance of accident or injury.
 - Provides good customer service by being respectful, courteous and maintains confidentiality related to the stakeholders who use the Handi Van service.
 - Reports accidents to Supervisor, obtaining names and addresses of witnesses and completing accident reports to ensure proper documentation and compliance with BDHSSA Policies and Procedures.
 - Enters information on each trip into the Drivers' Log Book for future reference in the event of a conflict.
 - Transports miscellaneous supplies needed by clients and staff to ensure the smooth

- running of the department.
- Transports daily pharmacy orders generated from the Inuvik Regional Hospital and the vendor pharmacy stores in Inuvik.
- Transports biohazard materials from Public Health and Support Services Contractor to appropriate location.
- Provides daily mail delivery of the red mail pouches and other mail related items to Department of Human Resources, Community Counselling Services, Public Health, Arctic Family Centre and Health Administration office and elsewhere as required.

2. Performs clerical duties and provides proper documentation for the Elder's Day Program and residents of the Long Term Care program when schedules on an outing in the community.

- Receives and records client information and completes transportation request forms for referred patients to ensure client needs are met.
- Verifies expected time and arrival of incoming and outgoing flights to ensure efficient use of time.
- Completes and submits to Supervisor a monthly vehicle report, which includes a passenger list and their pick up and drop off locations.

3. Maintains vehicle fleet in a safe and operational condition to ensure the safety of clients and staff.

- Ensures vehicle fleet are well maintained, clean, fuelled, checking oil and transmission fluid levels to reduce chance of vehicular problems.
- Checks light conditions, windshield wipers, brakes, tires, mechanical lifts, and reporting all malfunctions to the Transportation Supervisor for repair to ensure the vehicle is properly maintained.
- Ensures vehicle road emergency equipment is on board and in operative condition in the event of a problem.
- Gives vehicle orientation to staff prior to highway travel.
- Assists in annual vehicle servicing and scheduling.
- Enters all fuel usage into master spreadsheet.
- Enters vehicle service costs into master spreadsheet.

4. Maintains inventory of controllable assets for NTHSSA.

- Coordinates the controllable asset inventory by tagging, recording and photographing assets at the Inuvik Regional Hospital, Arctic Family Medical House, Community Counselling Programs, Public Health, Medical Residence and Community Health Centres.
- Assists the Warehouse Technician to ensure assets are tagged when received and recorded.
- Providing updates as required and an annual inventory to Supervisor.
- Assists in the removal and disposal of assets.

5. Cross trained with Warehouse Technician to assist with related duties.

- Reviews stocked items requisitions, prioritizing and filling orders.
- Ships medical supplies to the outlying community health centers.
- Ships biomedical specimens to medical laboratories and health facilities.
- Ships medication as required for the pharmacy department.
- Inspects freight and packages, signs weigh bills accepting shipment and records any damage of freight received.
- Expedites all freight shipments to the consignees.
- Schedules local deliveries with cartage contractors.
- Delivers freight to the appropriate Inuvik Regional Hospital divisions and to offsite locations in Inuvik.
- Assists with removal of surplused furniture, equipment and supplies by the most economical means.
- 6. Work Place Health and Safety: Employees of the Authority are committed to creating and maintaining a safe and respectful workplace for employees and patients/clients. Building a safe and respectful workplace is everyone's responsibility.
 - All employees and contractors have a professional and personal responsibility to perform their duties to health and safety regulations, standards, practices and procedures.
 - All stakeholders (management, staff, Union of Northern Workers, and Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission) need to ensure our Workplace Health and Safety Committee works effectively, with a shared purpose of continuous quality improvement in health and safety.
 - A healthy workplace, where employees can prove quality service under safe conditions, is the right thing to do and makes good business sense.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Physical Demands

Lifting and loading of baggage, personal effects and the physical demands of daily pushing wheelchairs through snow or up steep grades can be strenuous. Lifting and loading of freight, pushing freight dollies, flat beds, moving equipment and furniture is physically demanding. The incumbent must be able to deliver supplies and clients throughout the hospital and is subject to the risks of infectious disease.

Environmental Conditions

Working outside loading and unloading clients exposes the incumbent to adverse environmental elements daily. The incumbent is required to work outside assisting with the vehicle fleet in extreme conditions and travels regularly in town.

Sensory Demands

The incumbent can expect interruptions during the working day which would require concentration to keep work organized.

Mental Demands

No unusual mental demands. Balancing workload/time to meet deadlines of staff and patient needs could be stressful on all parties. Daily contact with staff and patients in urgent situations is difficult.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- GNWT *Financial Administration Act*, WHMIS Regulations, Transportation of Dangerous Goods and medical terminology.
- Must possess a valid class 4 NWT driver's license and must be bondable.
- Certification in WHMIS, ITA Dangerous Goods, First Aid and CPR are mandatory.
- Computer experience in data based programs and knowledge of spreadsheets is required
- Solid customer service skills when dealing with stakeholders and staff of BDHSSA.
- Must have effective communication and interpersonal skills.
- Must possess good time management skills to organize time and deliver services within time schedules for maximum efficiency.
- Has experience and hands-on training to assist ambulatory clients who require walking aids or are confined to wheelchairs to embark and disembark from the Handi Van.
- Must be able to follow instructions and record information.
- Must be able to use radio communication, pagers and mobile telephone equipment.

TYPICALLY, THE ABOVE QUALIFICATIONS WOULD BE ATTAINED BY:

Completion of grade 12. Experience using computers and with Excel. Experience in a warehouse setting or other related fields. Class 4 Driver's License. Certification in WHMIS, First Aid and CPR are mandatory. Certificate in ITA Dangerous Goods, is required.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Position Security (check one)

☐ No criminal records check required

CERTIFICATION

Title: Transportation Clerk

Position Number(s): 47-1367

Employee Signature	Supervisor Signature		
Printed Name	Printed Name		
Date	Date		
I certify that I have read and understand the responsibilities assigned to this position.	I certify that this job description is an accurate description of the responsibilities assigned to the position.		
Deputy Head/Delegate Signature	Date		
I approve the delegation of the responsibilities outlined herein within the context of the attached organizational structure.			

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by the incumbents of this job. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities and activities required of this position.