

'Won' Vancouver 50/50 Staff Lottery Question & Answer Document

Q: What's happening?

A: VCH is launching a new Won Vancouver 50/50 Staff lottery to benefit patients and clients in both Vancouver acute and community through the VGH UBC Foundation. Half of the funds will be distributed to the lucky winners and half will go towards capital equipment and patient comfort projects. VCH encourages staff to know their limit and play within it.

Q: Why are we having a 50/50 staff lottery?

A: There are multiple reasons to have the staff lottery. Not only are you benefiting your patients/clients and the important work of the Foundation, you're also sharing in your colleagues' excitement as winners are drawn each month. This lottery not only benefits you, it benefits your coworkers, and the clients and patients you serve.

Q: How will the funds raised be used?

A: Half the proceeds will be distributed to staff whose names/tickets have been drawn each month and the other half of funds raised will benefit the VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation to be used for capital equipment and patient comfort both in acute and community. Projects receiving funding will be chosen 12 months following the lottery year, meaning sometime in November 2016.

Q: How many lottery draws are there per month?

A: We will have one draw per month on the last Friday of the month, except December 25th where the draw will occur on Thursday, December 24th. All of the tickets sold (up to 5,000 per pay period) will be placed in typically two barrels (or three depending on the number of pay periods in that month). One name will be drawn from each barrel, typically resulting in two winners.

Q: Can casual staff participate in the lottery?

A: Yes, casual staff can enroll in the lottery; however their name will not be part of a pay period draw if they did not work during that pay period. Similarly, staff who are on unpaid leave and did not receive a pay cheque in that time will not be eligible for the lottery during that pay period.

Q: Who can participate?

A: All staff paid by VCH payroll and over the age of 19 can participate in the lottery.

Q: Can staff win more than once?

A: Yes, all names/ticket numbers will be placed in two barrels (or three depending on how many pay periods) every month, so each month there is an equal chance to win.

Q: What do I have to do to cancel my registration in the lottery?

A: Please forward a written note with your signature to:

"Won" Vancouver Staff 50/50 Lottery
c/o Administration, Room 117
Centennial Pavilion
855 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver, BC, V5Z 1M9

Q: How do I receive my tickets?

A: After October 28th, electronic tickets will be sent to individuals via the email listed on the sign-up sheet.

Q: How will I receive my winnings?

A: Cheques will be issued monthly to the winners. Winners can pick up their cheques or have them mailed to the address on the sign-up sheet.

Q: Will my winnings be taxed?

A: There are no taxes or other deductions associated with the winnings.

Q: Do I have to be present for the draws to win?

A: Winners do not have to be present for the draws. Individuals winning each month will be contacted via the phone and email information provided on the sign-up sheet. In addition, names of winners will be published in VCH News.