

Sharla Bouchard is the Clinical Resource Radiation Therapist at the Western Manitoba Cancer Centre. Sharla is a graduate from the Michener Institute of Technology and has worked as a Radiation Therapist in Ottawa, Cape Breton, the Bahamas and currently, Brandon Manitoba since 2011.

In 2016 Sharla completed her Radiation Safety Officer certification and has served on the Cancer Care Manitoba Radiation Protection committee, as the WMCC representative since then. Sharla also completed an Accounting and HR management certificate program through the Assiniboine Community College and has been a member of the CAMRT finance committee since 2019. In 2023 she also completed her CTRT certification.

In 2020 Sharla and her husband started an initiative to help ensure everyone would have something to eat as the pandemic brought financial challenges to many. They developed the program Everyone Eats which was a "pay what you can" meal service. The program provided nutritious meals and support to those who were having financial hardships. Sharla could be found delivering meals to those in need and promoting the program to others to ensure there were funds to continue the program.

When the everyone eats program came to a close, the focus was shifted to the creation of the Food Rescue store in Brandon. The food rescue store salvages food products that are rejected from grocery stores, which do not meet the grocery store specs, and would otherwise be disposed of. The food rescue operation saves a large variety of foods and provides affordable groceries to residents of Brandon and surrounding areas. Sharla can be found unloading trucks and organizing the freezers.

Sharla currently serves as the treasurer on the board of directors for the Women's Resource Centre in Brandon. In her role she has helped improve the organization of the structure and ensure funds are allocated to provide optimal resources to the women of Brandon.

Sharla is ambitious to search for solutions where she finds a need for improvement. In the town in which she lives, she has identified a need to control the stray cat population. Sharla has rescued and rehoused countless cats in her community after ensuring the animals are spayed or neutered.

Sharla is a dedicated volunteer, whether it be in a formal or informal role.