



Skeetchestn Indian Band Job Opportunity

Mental Health and Substance Counsellor

Position Summary

Job Type: Part Time, permanent
Hours of Work: Thursday to Friday times may vary/schedule TBD.
Reporting to: Family Support Manager
Department: Family Support
Wage: Based on Experience

The Counsellor works within the Skeetchestn Health Clinic setting and the role provides advanced level expertise in community-based clinical services specific to Mental Health and Substance Abuse response with community. This position provides mental wellness counselling services for crisis and trauma incidents in community. The Clinical Counsellor practices from an Indigenous worldview that recognizes and respects the values, beliefs and customs of individuals, families and communities as well as adhering to best practices current to the field.

Key Responsibilities

Performs all duties and responsibilities in accordance with Skeetchestn Indian Band policies, practices, and procedures as directed by the Family Support Manager. Maintains confidentiality as required pertaining to students, members, employees, and general matters of SIB.

- Provides crisis support and intervention in the event of a community based critical incident.
- Provides mental wellness counselling services including individual, group and family sessions, healing/treatment planning, collaborative discharge planning and after care to those impacted by community-based incidents.
- Collaborates with community health staff, Traditional Healers, families, and community resources as needed.
- Provides assessments and screenings as needed upon discovery of the presence of suicide risk and mental health related issues.
- Provides referrals to external agencies, internal services, Traditional Healers, and other culturally relevant resources.
- Provides consultation, education and information to individuals, families, community, and caregivers about mental wellness.

Other related duties as required.

Qualifications

Training, Education, Experience

- A master's degree in counselling, Psychology, or a relevant human services field,
- Up to date registration and in good standing with professional regulatory body,
- Advanced training in threat/risk assessment and/or trauma response,
- Current valid B.C. driver's license and willingness to submit a driver's abstract,
- 5 to 7 years of experience working with complex social systems or an equivalent combination of experience and education,
- Minimum of 2 years working with threat/risk and trauma assessment, intervention and post-vention,
- Experience working with First Nations people and communities.

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities

- Knowledge of various therapeutic and counselling modalities
- Experience work from a trauma informed, culturally sensitive perspective.
- Knowledge of assessment and screening tools and modalities in determining suicide and violence risk and threat
- Knowledge of relevant socio-historical events relevant to First Nations in Canada
- Knowledge of the importance of critical reflection in practice
- Familiarity with traditional healing practices, customs, values, and traditions of local First Nations
- Excellent communication skill
- In-depth knowledge of cultural safety and agility
- Ability to use critical self-reflection in practice.
- An understanding of rural and remote communities and their inherent challenges and barriers
- Ability to practices from an individual/family/community perspective.
- Ability to balance western and traditional Indigenous worldviews in practice.
- Aware of and applies professional ethics and approaches to resolve ethical dilemmas.
- Ability to establish and maintain strong working relationships with a variety of allied professionals, formal and informal community leaders, and knowledge keepers and/or Elders.
- Physical ability to perform the duties of the position.

Working Conditions

Work is performed primarily in an office environment. Occasional travel to attend meetings or training is required.

Are you interested in joining our team?

submit cover letter and resume to: Skeetchestn Indian Band Human Resources Email: adminassist@skeetchestn.ca Fax: (250) 373-2494