



Addictions/Mental Health Counsellor

Spirit of the Children Society – New Westminster, BC

Job description

Spirit of the Children Society is seeking an Addiction Counsellor Facilitator, for a full-time opportunity. The Addiction Counsellor will be responsible for the delivery of programs using trauma informed practices and models to ensure client focused and culturally relevant treatment content are provided using a holistic approach.

We are looking for a candidate with addiction treatment facilitation experience, an in-depth understanding the impact of trauma on First Nations, its complexity, and is willing to work as a team member.

The focus of the work is to create an environment that fosters client safety, choice and empowerment, particularly in group facilitation processes and content. This position will participate in the development and implementation of the trauma healing process and knowledge exchange with clients impacted by historic and intergenerational trauma.

Candidate must have experience and proven ability in planning, preparing and leading dynamic interactive group sessions using various trauma informed and delivery holistic methods. All candidates will be asked to demonstrate this skill at the interview by presenting a written workshop plan and facilitating a ten-minute activity with panel. The detailed workshop plan will state objectives and how the ten minute presentation fits within the plan, (outlining progression and transitions utilizing holistic healing models). The workshop plan criteria will be provided to those selected for interview.

Required Education, and Qualifications

- Certificate in counselling, or a B/A in a related field in; Psychology, Social Work and / or Professional certification from an alcohol and drug counsellor training program.
- Commensurate combination of work experience or minimum 2 years' experience in residential treatment or related counselling experience of First Nations clients and in substance misuse programs.
- Addictions Counselling and Program Facilitation: 2 years (Preferred)

- Must have a valid First Aid Certificate (or be willing to obtain ahead of or shortly after the start date)

Skills and Abilities:

- Demonstrated background and knowledge of First Nations peoples' customs, culture, and impact of trauma issues, and cultural oppression.
- Knowledge of trauma informed practices and first rate group facilitation skills.
- Qualities including; sound judgment, tact, and diplomacy; strong negotiation, and consensus-building skills; the ability to work effectively and collaboratively in a team holistic approach
- Emotional Competencies that includes adapting to changing situations.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills. Computer skills in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and email are a must.
- Physical ability to perform the duties of the position.
- Class Five Driver's License as Required and Class Four Driver's license an asset.

Job Type: Full-time

Pay: \$34.90-36.80 per hour

Benefits:

- Parking Re-imbusement
- Staff wellness days
- Events
- Extended Benefits begin after 6 month probationary period; including; extended medical benefits, dental care, paid time off

Schedule:

- Monday to Friday (35 hours per week)

Education:

- Certificate in counselling, or a B/A in a related field in; Psychology, Social Work

Licence/Certification:

- Driving Licence (required)
- Counselling Certificate (required)

Work Location: In person

HOW TO APPLY:

If you are interested in this exciting opportunity, please submit your RESUME and COVER LETTER to t.bell@sotcs.ca

People of Indigenous Ancestry are asked to self-identity in your application. We thank all applicants for their interest. Due to the volume of applicants, only those qualified and shortlisted will be contacted.