



Child and Youth Land-Based Worker

FTE: 2.0

Status: Permanent

Closing Date: Open until filled

The **Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre** is a community based, Indigenous controlled, Primary Care service that combines western curative care with traditional Ojibway healing philosophies and practices. The Access Centre provides clinical, social, health promotion and preventive services, as well as, access to traditional Ojibway healers.

The Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre, located in the heart of the Fort Frances Tribal Area and the Rainy River District, is the result of a unique partnership between area First Nations, the United Native Friendship Centre and the Sunset Country Metis.

Summary of Position:

The Child and Youth Land-Based Worker is a full-time, permanent position reporting to the Program Manager. The Child and Youth Land-Based Worker is responsible for providing land-based teachings to the Indigenous youth of the Rainy River District. The Child and Youth Land-Based Worker will support children and youth within the Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre service area by providing case management, counseling referrals, and other programming and support services. The Child and Youth Land-Based Worker works in correlation with Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre's wholistic approach to Indigenous health services.

Qualifications:

- Two (2) to three (3) years' experience in Social and/or Mental Health Services, preferably related to Children and Youth.
- Degree/Diploma Social Work or a related field would be an asset although not required.
- A sound understanding and demonstrated knowledge of Children's mental health and child development.
- Knowledgeable in tradition and ways of the local (Rainy River District) First Nations and Metis.
- Has experience working with children with FASD and ADHD.
- Demonstrated experience and knowledge of working with Elders/Youth.
- Experience with wholistic health.
- Knowledge and demonstrated skills in working with individuals who have Substance Use Issues, Adverse Childhood Experiences and experience in implementing Behaviour Therapy and Trauma Informed Practices.
- Must be organized, with the ability to establish priorities.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Strong interpersonal skills, with the ability to establish and maintain good working relationships.
- Teamwork and collaboration skills; able to participate as a contributing member in cross-functional teams.
- Valid Ontario Driver's License.
- As per policy, applicants should note that COVID-19 vaccination, clear Vulnerable Sector Criminal Record check as well as Drivers Abstract is a condition of employment within Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre.
- Due to the nature of this position in regards to working with children and youth, applicants must be willing to work flexible hours including after school and weekends to provide program delivery.

Desired:

- Experience and understanding of local Indigenous communities and culture within the Rainy River district an asset.
- Ability to speak Ojibway is an asset.
- First Nations, Inuit or Metis candidates are encouraged to apply. Please self-identify.

Additional Information:

As a part of our team, you will be eligible for:

- 100% employer-paid health care benefits;
- Become a member of the Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan (HOOPP);
- Six (6) paid Personal Leave Days a year;
- 3 weeks (starting) paid vacation subject to increase quickly over tenure;
- Invited to actively participate in cultural and traditional teachings and knowledge.

A complete Job Description is available by contacting Cheryl McEvoy, HR Manager at 274-3131.

Qualified applicants are invited to submit a resume, covering letter, 3 work related references (*one must be from a current or most recent supervisor*) and written authorization to contact references.

Attention: Personnel Committee
Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre
RMB 2004, RR #2
Fort Frances, ON P9A 3M9
cmcevoy@gizhac.com

We thank all candidates in advance, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Gizhewaadiziwin is committed to providing employment accommodation in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. If contacted for an employment opportunity or interviewing, please advise if you require accommodation.

Please visit us at www.gizhac.com to learn more, or follow us on www.facebook.com/gizhac, www.instagram.com/gizhac, or www.linkedin.com/companies/gizhewaadiziwin