



Mental Health Worker

FTE: 1.0

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:

Reporting to the Program Manager, the Mental Health Worker is responsible for the delivery of mental health services to individuals and families, which includes counselling, support and case management services as well as general education and mental health promotion. Must act as a part of the inter-disciplinary team and work closely with Primary Care. This position is based out of the Centre; however, some travel is required as services are also provided in the 10 First Nation communities as well as counselling in Friendship Centre, Metis and school settings.

Qualifications:

- University Degree in Social Work or related field
- 2-3 years' experience
- Registered with the Ontario College of Social Works
- Demonstrated ability to respond to clients and situations with flexibility and adaptability
- Valid Driver's License
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to work as a team member
- Experience with Telus and EMR systems an asset.
- As per policy, applicants should note that COVID-19 vaccination is a condition of employment within Gizhewaadiziwin Health Access Centre.

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.

For a complete job description, contact Cheryl McEvoy, Human Resources 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
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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.