

Family Therapist Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI 1 Year Maternity Leave May 2018-May 2019

Location: Lennox Island First Nation

The Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI's Child and Family Services Program, provides family support and prevention services to Lennox Island and Abegweit First Nation families. The Family Therapist will work under the supervision of the Director of Child and Family Services and will work closely with the program's family support workers and child and youth care workers. The primary focus of the position will be to provide individualized services to children, youth and their families.

Hours of work: Full time 37.5 hours per week, occasional evenings and weekends required.

Responsibilities:

- Provide direct service to children, youth and families regarding a wide range of family issues;
- Provide individual, family and group therapy sessions to children and families using a variety of modalities;
- Lead treatment planning and ongoing service coordination as a member of the client's multidisciplinary team;
- Develop goal-oriented plans with clients to enhance:
 - o family functioning
 - o social inclusion, self-determination
 - o success at home, school and social environments
 - o parenting skills and positive parenting
 - family and personal relationships;
- Contribute actively to continuous improvement and evaluation of client service experiences and the work environment to create a healing and learning environment for clients;
- Complete record keeping, clinical recording and all communications as required in a clear and concise professional manner;
- Provide training and information sessions;
- Other duties as required

Qualifications:

- Master's degree in Social Work, counseling or a related field and eligible for certification/membership in a registered professional association. Minimum of two years experience providing clinical treatment to children and families;
- Knowledge of the affects of inter-generational trauma and the experiences of residential school survivors and their descendants as well as the 60's Scoop and the Millennium Sweep;
- Proven experience using a holistic treatment approach and applying wellness and resilience knowledge to therapeutic work;

- Well-developed communication, analytical and case-management skills, as well as a commitment to providing quality client service by establishing and maintaining effective working relationships;
- Applicants must exercise a high standard of professionalism with sound judgment and also have the ability to work independently and as part of a team;
- Knowledge of the PEI Child Protection Act;
- Demonstrated excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Experience with assessment and report writing;
- Valid Driver's License and use of a reliable vehicle;
- A good previous work and attendance record and acceptable criminal record check.

If all qualifications are equal, preference will be given to persons of Aboriginal ancestry. While we appreciate the interest of all applicants, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. No interview or relocation costs will be provided.

Salary to commensurate with relevant education and experience

Closing date for applications is April 18, 2018, at 4:00 p.m.

Please email your resume and cover letter to tbernard@mcpei.ca or mail to:

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