

Career Opportunity

Community Wellness Counsellor

Under the supervision of the Deputy Chief Operating Officer, the Community Wellness Counsellor will coordinate the development and implementation of counselling services programs designed to promote holistic health and community wellness. The focus is on achieving the priorities set out in the Reaching for Our Vision document as they relate to general, and outreach and addictions counselling. Preference will be given to qualified First Nations candidates. This is a salary position.

Minimum Qualifications

- Certificate, diploma or degree in counselling; or in associated field with a specialty in addictions
- 3 years demonstrated experience working as a counsellor in the field of addictions
- First Nation experience counselling on reserve
- Awareness and understanding of historical context of alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment in a First Nations community
- Politically and culturally sensitive
- Knowledge of wellness programs; assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation of wellness
- A well-defined sense of diplomacy; negotiation, conflict resolution, and people management skills
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Computer skills: Microsoft Office and Outlook
- Good organizational, time management and prioritizing skills
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Physically able to perform all assigned tasks
- Clean Criminal Records Review Program letter
- Valid driver's licence

Desired Qualifications – in addition to above:

- Masters in Counselling in associate field with specialty in addictions
- Previous experience in program development
- Formal training in crisis management
- Familiarity with integrated health services

Closing Date: Will remain open until filled. Prior continual recruitment campaigns have not yielded a successful candidate; minimum requirements must be met. All applicants who meet the minimum requirements will be responded to. Preference will be given to qualified First Nations candidates. Fort Nelson First Nation is a progressive organization offering an incredible work environment, competitive salary packages, extended medical, dental and vision, pension plan, professional development and career advancement opportunities. To forward your resume, respond to:

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