



**Community Health Nurse (CHN)
.8 FTE on Penelakut First Nation**

Inter Tribal Health Authority (ITHA), a multi-disciplinary health organization providing services to 29 member First Nations on Vancouver Island based in Nanaimo, British Columbia is seeking a Home and Community Care Nurse (CHN) to provide support to the ITHA's First Nations member communities.

Reporting to the ITHA Nursing Manager while managing Home and Community Care Services including:

Knowledge of the nursing process to collaborate, develop, coordinate and implement mutually agreed upon care plans, negotiate priorities in care, and support clients to navigate and transition through the continuum of care. Knowledge of biological, physical and behavioral sciences in order to recognize, interpret and prioritize findings and determine and implement a plan of action based on accepted standards of practice this First Nation Community setting. Knowledge and current expertise in a broad range of areas, including adult education, community-based nursing, working with families, disease processes, long-term care assessment, community resources, wound care and specialized dressings, medications, grief management and pain management. The Home and Community Care Nurse will work in collaboration with the client, family, physician and Community Health Nurse to develop personal care plans; and assigning appropriate resources and referrals to meet client health & wellness needs.

Working within the context of the client-centered and holistic vision and goals of ITHA and the First Nation communities in accordance with CRNBC Standards of Practice, this position combines health sciences knowledge with assessment and clinical nursing skills to effectively assess and coordinate client care, provides general professional health advice and information to individuals, families, and communities requiring health support and access to services and advocates for and bridging gaps between communities and external service agencies. This position requires strong administrative and organizational skills.

The ideal candidate has a Bachelor of Science or Nursing degree, current CPR/AED Level C Certification, strong current immunization certification and minimum two years' experience working as a Community Health Nurse and/or Home and Community Care Nurse, preferably in a rural/remote setting. Other requirements include cultural competency in First Nation health and a valid class 5 driver's licence and willingness to travel if required.

ITHA offers an excellent total compensation package and RRSP matching plan. In addition to your entitled vacation the office is closed during the Christmas holidays. This is a great opportunity to make a difference in ITHA member communities. Please send your resume and cover letter by e-mail at hr@itha.ca or by fax at 250-591-2169. Please refer to the position title when submitting your application.

The closing date for this competition is **June 15, 2018**.

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those who are short-listed will be contacted for an interview.