

## Job Posting

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**Closing Date: Posted Until Filled**

### **Mental Wellness and Substance Use Clinician (Masters)**

#### **Position Summary**

Bring your passion of supporting and working in a community outreach setting where you can become a valuable partner with the Northern Secwepemc communities.

Three Corners Health Services Society, in partnership with Canim Lake, Canoe Creek, Dog Creek, Soda Creek, Williams Lake, and Alkali Lake is looking for a *Mental Wellness Clinician* who understands holistic health including all aspects of the mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual quadrants. This holistic approach applies to individuals, families and the community as a whole. As part of the wellness team and allied professionals within the Nation, the mental wellness clinician will work collaboratively with community, staff and membership, to identify potential capacity building opportunities with the aim of enhancing services.

The Mental Wellness Clinician, in partnership with each community's health and wellness team, will provide holistic support through the context of Nation cultural values and beliefs for health, intellectual, emotional, physical, traditional, and spiritual well-being for clients and/or their families. Additionally, we are looking for a self-directed, multi-tasking mental wellness clinician who enjoys working within a multi-disciplinary team environment. If you are a highly skilled and experienced clinician and group facilitator looking to achieve a better work/life balance then we would like to hear from you.

Overall, the Mental Wellness Clinician will serve clients in need of support with serious and persistent mental wellness concerns such as PTSD, complex trauma, depression, anxiety, and/or others. You will be required to work as part of a holistic inter-disciplinary team including both Interior Health and First Nations' community staff, which could include developing a care plan with Traditional Healers, utilizing traditional healing approaches and medicines, as well as working closely with family and community members.

#### **Qualifications:**

The successful applicant must have knowledge of First Nations peoples within the Interior Health region as well as a good understanding of colonization and the unique history of Indigenous peoples in Canada. This understanding includes the impacts of colonization both past and present. The individual will practice from a Trauma-Informed and culturally safe

paradigm. Flexibility with work hours is required, as occasionally weekends or evenings may be needed.

We are seeking a candidate with:

- Past and/or current counselling experience within a First Nations context.
- Group facilitation experience in both traditional First Nations approaches and mainstream approaches.
- General competency in concurrent disorders.
- Excellent communication skills and cross cultural communication experience.
- Two years' recent related experience in a mental health and substance use environment or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience.
- Current valid B.C. driver's license and reliable vehicle
- Masters degree from an accredited university in an Allied Health, Behavioural, or Social Science field relevant to the position.
- Ability to complete successful advanced criminal record check

***Preference will be given to qualified applicants of Aboriginal ancestry per Canada's Human Rights Act and Legislation surrounding employment equity.***

To apply please email your resume to:

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