



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Relief Wellness Worker

Awo Taan Healing Lodge Society ("Nurturing Families Living in Peace")

A recent staff survey shows some of Awo Taan's strengths are interesting & challenging work and policies that encourage work/life balance.

The Wellness Worker works within a team of committed members who provide supportive counseling, referrals & advocacy, information, safety planning, and education on family violence while families stay in our 32 bed emergency women's shelter. All programs are offered within a wholistic approach which includes traditional Aboriginal Spiritual concepts and ceremonies; blended with contemporary methods. This position requires shift work.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Responsible for intake & discharge of residents;
- Provide immediate response to crisis calls & provide appropriate crisis intervention;
- Provide supportive counselling services, advocacy & referrals to residents of the shelter;
- Assist other Wellness Workers, volunteers & practicum students, when necessary;
- Daily log/contact with each resident/file, including all relevant forms, referrals, phone assessments & advocacy;
- Data entry;
- Ensure residents' safety;
- Facilitate house meetings & Healing Circles;
- Ability to communicate & model healthy language and behaviours;
- Other duties, as required.

SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Post-secondary degree or diploma in Social Work or related field with related experience;
- Registered Social Worker or similar accreditation;
- Understanding and knowledge of Aboriginal culture and traditions, the ability to speak an Aboriginal language would be an asset;
- Knowledge of family violence and its effects;
- Knowledge of community resources and programs available to support families;
- Strong interpersonal, communication, and advocacy skills;
- Strong organizational skills and initiative;
- Ability to work independently & as part of a team;
- Competent computer skills & accurate program record maintenance;
- Current Suicide Intervention/Prevention & CPR/First Aid training would be an asset;
- Must provide proof of a current Police Check & Child Welfare Intervention Services Check.

Closing Date: Until suitable candidate is selected.

Please forward cover letter & resume to:

Selection Committee
Awo Taan Healing Lodge Society
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Calgary, AB T2H 2L3
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Thank you for applying. Only those short listed will be contacted. No phone calls or emails please.