



Job Title: Psychologist

Department: AVFN Health Center

Reports to: Health Director

The AVFN Health Centre provides service to the AVFN members as well as their immediate families. Nova Scotia's Mi'kmaq communities across the province are on a historical trajectory of health transformation through the emerging Health & Wellness organization, Tajikeimik, working towards health transformation for Mi'kmaq in Nova Scotia.

The AVFN Health Centre supports the two-eye seeing health approach. We seek to support the health needs of the AVFN community through connecting with community and providing diverse health services and programming with the resources found within the First Nation health related organizations, as well as through partnering with select external resources such as Nova Scotia Health.

Overview of Duties and Responsibilities

- Reporting to the AVFN Health Director, the Psychologist will provide their services across the age spectrum within the psychological needs of the AVFN community.
- Employ both individual therapy and group treatment models throughout the age span while utilizing the philosophy of two-eyed seeing and land base health delivery.
- Diagnose and complete mental health assessments and implementing evidence-based treatment plans.
- Demonstrate abilities in diverse treatment modalities such as cognitive behaviour therapy, dialectical behavior, EMDR, etc.
- Demonstrate experience in crisis and suicide risk assessment and intervention.
- Ability to coordinate the development of effective linkages with other agencies as needed.
- Provide educational mental health workshops to staff and to community.
- Demonstrate leadership skills in working collaboratively and cooperatively as part of a multi-disciplinary team.
- Assisting in the identification, development, and evolution of mental health programming at AVFN Health Centre.
- Excellent written and oral presentation skills.
- Maintain patient records in a timely manner.

The Successful Candidate will have:

- Degree in Clinical Psychology from an accredited University by the Canadian Psychological Association or American Psychological Association.
- Eligible for registration with the Nova Scotia Psychological Board of Examiners.
- Experience in counseling individuals as well as group counselling.
- Knowledge of the DSM and the ability to assess and diagnose common mental health disorders (i.e., anxiety, depression concurrent disorders, borderline personality disorders, psychosis, bipolar trauma, PTSD, intragenerational trauma, etc.).

- Experience providing behavioral consultations and providing recommendations.
- Experience in Land base therapy/counseling would be considered an asset.
- WPATH knowledge and assessment skills would be considered an asset.
- Experience working in a First Nation community would be considered an asset.
- At minimum required to have the COVID-19 Primary series.

Employment Term: Part time (15-25 hours per week Monday – Thursday)

Salary: \$57.00/hour

Application Deadline: Open until position is filled

Please submit resume and cover letter to:

Attention: Julie Crossman

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We are an equal opportunity employer; however, qualified Aboriginal applicants will be given priority in accordance with the Aboriginal Employment Preference Policy of the Canadian Human Rights Commission.

Only those applicants who qualify for an interview will be contacted. The successful candidate will be required to submit a current criminal record check.