

Union of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq Employment Opportunity

Health Department· Membertou, Nova Scotia



Title: Diabetes Community Consultant

Description: Reporting to the Health Director, the Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative Diabetes Community Consultant supports, develops and partners with UNSM communities in delivering health promotion and primary prevention activities to community members at risk and/or living with Diabetes. Diabetes programs will be culturally appropriate and focused on individual community needs.

Location: The Diabetes community consultant will be required to travel regularly throughout Unamaki/Cape Breton and occasionally within mainland NS and Atlantic provinces.

ROLES/RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Develop, implement, and evaluate community-based Diabetes Self-Management programs;
- Compile and maintain an annual list of Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative programs and services for communities;
- Design, implement and evaluate evidence-based diabetes awareness and healthy lifestyle initiatives.
- Support First Nation schools in promoting healthy lifestyles, including the Heart Smart Indigenous program.
- Address food security issues in communities, ensuring healthy foods at ADI events and partnering for nutrition education.
- Provide clinical expertise and support to health staff for diabetes care and education.
- Facilitate community diabetes working groups and events.
- Build strong relationships with community health staff, schools, and organizations.
- Collaborate with provincial health authorities, diabetes educators, and healthcare organizations.
- Stay current with Diabetes Canada guidelines and best practices.
- Deliver high quality nursing care to diabetes patients and their families.
- Promotes culturally sensitive care and interdisciplinary collaboration for effective care;
- Adheres to up-to-date standards of diabetes care;
- Address age-specific needs and incorporate educational expertise;
- Ability to write and assist with funding proposals; workplans and budgets;
- Complete required project/funding reports;

REQUIREMENTS:

- BN, BScN or Relevant education in healthcare profession;
- Certified Diabetes Educator (CDE) certification;
- Possess knowledge of principles of growth and development;
- Completion of other related health certifications;
- Proficient with Email, Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel).
- Knowledge of Indigenous and/or Mi'kmaw communities/organizations.
- A valid driver's license and access to a reliable, insured vehicle is required.

PREFERRED EXPERIENCE:

- 5 years nursing experience/or related experience;
- Previous experience in an educational setting;
- Providing care in a culturally safe environment;
- Ability to integrate traditional and western world views;
- Knowledge of diabetes care and prevention;
- Strong program development and evaluation skills;
- Effective communication and collaboration abilities;
- Demonstrates expertise in apply Diabetes Canada Clinical Practice Guidelines;
- Ability to speak and/or understand the Mi'kmaw language is an asset

Please note that the duties outlined in this job posting are not exhaustive and other duties may be required.

Location: Membertou Office

Duration: Full-time, one-year term position with possibility of renewal

Supervisor: Health Director

Closing Date: **Tuesday, October 24, 2023**

Please submit your cover letter, resume, and references to: Careers@unsm.org

****Only potential candidates considered will be contacted for interviews. Personal suitability will also be considered during the hiring process. UNSM hires based on merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified persons to apply; however, qualified Aboriginal applicants will be given priority in accordance with the Aboriginal Employment Preference policy of the Canadian Human Rights Commission.**

Disclaimer:

The Union of Nova Scotia Mi'kmaq reserves the right to refuse all applications for employment at any time during the hiring process