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Job Opportunity
Substance Abuse & Addictions Support Worker
Term Position – Nisga'a Ts'amiks Vancouver Society (NTVS)

Closing Date: May 13, 2022 at 4:00 PM

PURPOSE:

This project is primarily about two themes: 1) increasing connectivity to support services through various methods (cultural, family, increased touchpoints) and 2) providing additional supports in the transitory time of COVID-19 pandemic recovery.

The Addiction Support Worker assists in coordinating and directing substance abuse and addiction services in metro Vancouver, Nanaimo and Victoria.

The Role:

- Assisting clients and ensuring consistent follow up with addictions treatment and recovery plans.
- Working as part of an inter-disciplinary team to provide direct and indirect support to individuals including: medication administration, community life events, and other supports as necessary.
- Coach and guide colleagues to support individuals in addiction focused supports and planning
- Supporting individuals in activities related to housing stability.
- Helping individuals connect to community resources and supports.
- Reinforcing individuals' life skills, spirituality, and social and community skills.
- Planning and facilitating programs and groups.
- Assisting with admission and orientation of individuals in treatment centers.
- Supporting individuals to achieve their goals while encouraging independence and recovery.
- Maintaining a safe and healthy environment.

Qualifications:

- College Diploma or bachelor's degree with a focus on addictions, and experience in addictions or mental health services. Certification with CCACF is considered an asset.

Skills and Abilities

- The successful candidate will have experience working with individuals with serious mental illness, addictions or other special needs. Knowledge of concurrent disorders and knowledge of various addiction treatments/theories is required. Must demonstrate a warm, sensitive, and caring approach, the ability to work within a team, be flexible, organized, responsible, and take initiative. Must have strong problem solving skills, be able to maintain good interpersonal relationships and have a genuine interest in supporting people living with mental illness. This individual works through a harm reduction lens and seeks to uphold the health and wellness of individuals as well as the community.

ACCOUNTABILITY: The Substance Abuse and Addictions Support Worker is accountable to the CEO.

Working Conditions

- The Substance Abuse and Addictions Support Worker works in an office environment, Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm.
- The Substance Abuse and Addictions Support Worker will be required to work outside those hours from time to time.
- Occasional travel is required outside usual office hours.

Preference may be given to qualified Aboriginal candidates per Section 41 of the Human Rights Code. Please forward a copy of your resume with cover letter to:

Attention: **Anthony Robinson** - NTVS CEO (ceo@tsamiks.com)
Or by FAX: 604-646-4944

Note: *Only those who meet the criteria and have been screened through for an interview will be contacted.*