



# Whitefish River First Nation

is seeking an experienced

## CHILD & YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS COUNSELLOR

\*The starting salary of this position is \$49,036 (including group pension and health benefits)

\*Offer is subject to education and experience or a combination of both

The Child and Youth Mental Health and Addictions Counselor (CYMHAC) will provide counseling to children and youth to support mental wellness by assisting with emotional regulation and resulting behavioral management. The CYMHAC will provide services through a trauma-informed lens, focusing on addressing intergenerational trauma, including grief and loss. The position will also offer services that include Traditional ways of Healing and a gift for connecting with children and youth.

### Key Responsibilities:

- Develop and implement the delivery of work plan initiatives.
- Linking to Indigenous and Western models of care, provide counseling support, including appropriate interventions, referrals, follow-up, advocacy, ongoing support, and case coordination.
- Develop and prepare treatment care plans and outcome measures for the family unit through collaboration, needs identification, and assessment, which can complement current service involvement with other clinical staff.
- Maintain a high level of confidentiality of all client records and files.
- Provide direct counseling to children and youth.
- Provide Trauma Informed Care services.
- Provide appropriate referrals to other services.
- Provide aftercare services and support for children and youth.

### Qualifications:

- University Degree in Social Services field of study (Social Work, Psychology) and up to two (2) years of relevant work experience.
- 3-5 years of work-related experience in child & youth mental health would be an asset.
- Knowledge and skills in mental health, alcohol and/or drug addiction awareness and prevention.
- Excellent Public Speaking and Facilitation Skills.
- Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training.
- Current Mental Health First Aid Certification and First Aid and CPR.
- Valid Ontario Driver's License and access to own vehicle.
- Ability to speak Anishinabemowin and participate in the culture and traditions of the Anishinabek people.

\*For a complete Job Description, please email: [hrmanager@whitefishriver.ca](mailto:hrmanager@whitefishriver.ca)

### Skills:

- Must have a working knowledge of Harm Reduction Philosophy.
- Excellent time management and organizational skills with the ability to prioritize and handle multiple tasks simultaneously.
- Act professionally appropriately when working and not working and be a positive role model for clients and the WRFN Community.
- Working knowledge of Outlook, Microsoft Office, and general office procedures.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills (written and verbal).
- Must have knowledge and/or experience with the Anishinaabe's culture, history, and customs.
- Must be willing to work flexible hours and weekends.

\*Successful candidates must provide an up-to-date Police Vulnerable Sector Screening Check upon hire.

**Applications must be submitted by October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.**

Interested applicants must submit a current resume, cover letter, two (2) work-related references and one (1) character reference (with contact information) and applicable education diplomas/certifications to:

**CONFIDENTIAL: Child and Youth Mental Health & Addictions Counsellor**

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c/o Human Resources

17-A Rainbow Ridge Road, P.O. Box 188; Birch Island, ON P0P1A0

Email: [jobapplications@whitefishriver.ca](mailto:jobapplications@whitefishriver.ca) Fax: (705)285-4532

*Miigwetch to all who apply; however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.*