



**Job Opportunity**  
**Community Addictions/Prevention Counsellor**

Sipekne'katik First Nation, Indian Brook

Closing date: **October 9, 2020**

**General Description:**

Under the direction of the Mental Wellness Coordinator, the Addictions Prevention Counsellor will focus on the awareness, prevention, promotion, intervention, treatment aftercare/follow up, and post treatment counselling along with relapse prevention to community members. This includes developing partnerships to aide with other First Nations members and their respective communities.

**Responsibilities:**

- Participate in training associated with Addictions and Mental Health.
- Coordinate support and treatment programs with other First Nations communities in all areas of Addictions and Mental Health.
- Facilitate community workshops in the areas of Addictions/ Mental Wellness, such as: Relapse prevention, self-help groups, prevention/intervention, grief and bereavement, suicide prevention and other supportive activities.
- Establish information workshops and associated training programs to assist the Sipekne'katik Crisis Team
- Work closely with other agencies, such as RCMP, Court Officials, MFCS, Healthcare representatives, NADACA and others as the need arises
- Record statistics and complete Monthly reports.
- Plan and coordinate activities to assist with Addiction and Mental Wellness awareness and suicide prevention: examples include outings, support groups or traditional activities.
- Plan and coordinate Culturally-based community events which promote culture, healthy clean living and community engagement.
- Promote participation in related events and activities which are alcohol and drug free.
- Establish working committees for large community-based events, with time management-based schedules to be reviewed and approved by supervisor
- Provide follow-up on clients through office appointments, home visits and phone calls
- Work with team members on organizing and implementing the Crisis Land Line
- Be available to assist, monitor and respond to the Crisis Land line located at Health Center
- Follow rules and regulations in regards to privacy as stated under the HR Policy and PIHA (Personal Information Health Act)
- Other related duties as assigned by Supervisor.

**Qualifications:**

- Post-Secondary education in a related field, along with one year of related experience. An equivalent combination of training and experience will be considered.
- Ability to build and enhance effective relationships.
- Open to working flexible hours based on scheduled events.
- Strong organizational and time management skills.
- Demonstrated ability to maintain total confidentiality and remain unbiased.
- Must have a valid driver's license & reliable vehicle for travel.

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- Experience working in a First Nations culture is required.
- A vulnerable sector check and child abuse registry is required.

This position includes health, dental, life insurance and pension benefits.  
Please apply with a resume, cover letter, vulnerable sector check, child abuse registry and three work references to:

Human Resource Manager

Email [employmentapplication@sipeknekatik.ca](mailto:employmentapplication@sipeknekatik.ca)

Or

Mail/drop off: 522 Church Street, Indian Brook, NS B0N 1W0

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