



June 2, 2015

Employment Opportunity: Secwepemc Nation Traditional Wellness Promotion Coordinator

Close date: Tuesday June 23, 2015

Secwepemc Nation Traditional Wellness Promotion Coordinator (FT)

The Secwepemc Nation Traditional Wellness Promotion Coordinator will work with the Secwepemc Health Caucus (SHC) and in partnership with Secwepemc knowledge-keepers to build a traditional wellness framework and capacity within the Secwepemc Nation to promote and develop widespread use of traditional Secwepemc forms of healing and health.

ORGANIZATION SUMMARY

The Secwepemc Health Caucus is comprised of 16 Secwepemc Communities within a vast geographical area within the Interior of BC. The SHC is committed to a proactive holistic approach to health and wellness and are committed to the delivery of services which are community-driven and Nation-based on the customs and traditions of the communities.

POSITION SUMMARY

To develop a community-driven, Nation-based plan to activate greater use of Secwepemc traditional wellness practices in Secwepemc communities, reaching and involving the broadest range of citizens possible.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIP

This position reports to the Secwepemc Health Directors Hub – Hub Coordinator.

QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCIES:

- An undergraduate degree including First Nations/Aboriginal coursework or focus, or an acceptable combination of education, training and experience;
- Familiar with Secwepemc culture and traditions;
- Community development experience;
- Strong analytical, communication skills (verbal and written) and knowledge of research practices;
- Must be able to work flexible hours and travel as required;
- Possess a valid driver's licence;
- Preference will be given to applicants with experience working in Aboriginal communities.

KNOWLEDGE

- Knowledge of Secwepemc communities as it relates to health and social determines of health;
- Knowledge of past and current practices as it relates to the health (mental, emotional, physical and spiritual) of First Nations people.

ABILITIES

- Ability to communicate effectively and respectfully both orally and in writing, with a focus on drafting reports, guidelines, basic budgets, newsletters, briefing notes, etc;
- Ability to synthesize information and feedback into easily understood and audience appropriate presentations;
- Ability to prepare and make research and report recommendations;
- Draft a Traditional Wellness Framework & Strategy;
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team;
- Ability to use with proficiency, the Microsoft Office Suite.

DUTIES

- Create a network of community-based individuals committed to promoting traditional wellness practices in their respective communities;
- Support this network by facilitating the sharing of successes, developing ideas and strategies and supporting one another;
- Support this group in developing a framework and strategy to promote Secwepemc Traditional Wellness to the broadest range of Secwepemc possible;
- Identify avenues and strategy for advocacy to support the developed plan.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

- Adhere to Human Resource policies of Q'wemtsin Health Society;
- A criminal record check.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Position will be located out of Tk'emlúps;
 - Flexibility in relation to work schedule is required;
 - Collaboration with other hub staff;
 - Travel is required.
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Please submit the following:

- Resume;
- 3 References including 1 person who can speak to your understanding of Secwepemc traditional values and cultural practices (preferably a recognized elder);
- Letter outlining: You're understanding of Secwepemc Traditional wellness; your own wellness strategy; and your understanding of the sensitive nature of seeking out traditional knowledge and knowledge keepers. (2 pages maximum).

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