

Kermode Friendship Society

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Position Title

Aboriginal Child and Youth Mental Health (ACYMH) Child and Youth Worker

Reports To

Kermode Friendship Society ACYMH Program Coordinator

Summary

The Kermode Friendship Society offers culturally sensitive, quality programs and services to the Aboriginal community members and the community at large in the Terrace and Kitimat area. Under the general direction of the Kermode Friendship Society Aboriginal Child and Youth Mental Health Program Coordinator, the Aboriginal Child and Youth Mental Health Worker will provide outreach, education, advocacy and support to families affiliated with the Aboriginal Child and Youth Mental Health Program at Kermode Friendship Society.

The ACYMH Program is a prevention and early intervention program. We provide one on one and group support to Aboriginal children 0-19 years and their families to prevent and/or delay the onset of mental illness. ACYMH follows a core Aboriginal approach to balance the mental, physical, spiritual and emotional needs of children, youth and families by promoting health and wellness in all aspects of their lives.

Job Duties

- Manage and administer community projects and resources.
- Plan, prep and facilitate life skills, recreational and cultural groups
- Assess the needs of young people, to plan and deliver programs related to health and well-being.
- Mentor and support families to encourage healthy living.
- Undertake administrative tasks, including tracking and completing monthly reports.
- Advocate, liaise and network with families and community agencies to address issues and promote opportunities for young people.
- Make formal presentations to youth forums, family gatherings, and community functions.
- Maintain a role in the Community Suicide Prevention and Awareness Committee.
- Provide outreach to surrounding communities in the Terrace/Kitimat area.
- Complete all documentation requested by the Program Manager accurately and in a timely manner;
- Attend all professional development training opportunities as requested by management.
- Assist in planning and participate in annual Kermode Friendship Society activities such as International FASD day, Aboriginal Day, National Addictions Awareness Week, and the Kermode Friendship Society Christmas Dinner.
- First Aid certificate.
- Other duties as required.

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Requirements

- Certificate / Diploma in Social Service Worker or Child and Youth Worker and relevant experience.
- Solid understanding of historic as well as current issues faced by our Aboriginal Youth.
- Role model a healthy lifestyle
- First Aid
- Available to work evenings and weekends
- Food safe Certificate
- Valid Class 5 Drivers license, Business Insurance and clear Drivers abstract
- Demonstrated knowledge of working with marginalized people and their families.
- Sign a code of confidentiality agreement
- Sign an Employees oath for Professional Conduct

Working Conditions

- Able to lift up to fourteen kg.
- Climbing stairs, and getting in and out of vehicles
- Transporting youth to and from appointments, and appointments.
- Must be capable of responding to emergencies and/or dangerous situations quickly and safely.
- Desk work including making phone calls, typing, and doing computer data entry.
- Hours of work may vary which could include evenings and weekends.

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