

Positive Living North: No khēyoh t'sih'en t'sehena Society

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JOB POSTING

Interim Prevention/Support Worker – Member Services Department 37.5 Hours per Week, \$16 - \$18 per Hour, Fourteen-Month Term

Positive Living North is an Aboriginal, community-based organization providing care, support and advocacy for people living with, vulnerable to, and affected by HIV/AIDS and hepatitis C (HCV). We are looking to interview exceptional candidates who are committed to ongoing personal and professional growth who are interested in a position as a temporary full-time Prevention/Support Worker. People living with HIV/AIDS/HCV & those of Aboriginal ancestry are encouraged to apply.

Candidate Profile

PLN seeks a team player with healthy personal characteristics who is passionate about supporting our mandate to assist all people in gaining full access to the Determinants of Health. We seek a dynamic individual who can compassionately, comfortably and confidentially work in an environment that respects diversity and has the ability to deal non-judgementally with issues such as addiction, poverty, and the legacy of the colonization of Aboriginal people. Working as a team within the Member Services department, the Prevention/Support Worker will be responsible for providing direct services for people living with HIV/AIDS/HCV.

Oualifications

- Possess a Social Work diploma or equivalent combination of related education and work experience
- Understand the complexity of working in diverse communities and have a thorough appreciation and awareness of Aboriginal history and culture
- Experience with support and advocacy for marginalized populations
- Experience with counseling regarding loss, grief and the impact of multi-generational trauma
- Understanding of social welfare policies which impact the populations we provide services for
- Experience facilitating group processes and meetings
- Experience with developing, managing and maintaining case files
- Ability to work from a risk/harm reduction perspective
- Possess personal characteristics that will contribute to a healthy, dynamic team
- Be self motivated, have excellent communication skills (written and verbal), and have excellent organizational and time management skills
- Maintain a Class 5 driver's licence and reliable transportation

Responsibilities

- Build rapport with and support PLN members in a non-judgmental and non-exploitative way
- Complete appropriate training and professional development as required, including PLN's in-house 'Reducing Barriers by Building Partnerships' training modules
- Assess needs for support structures for those affected by HIV and develop and implement plans to meet identified needs
- Conduct intakes and develop, manage and maintain individual case files
- Liaise with relevant community frontline service providers/partners
- Support people living with HIV/AIDS/HCV in meeting their day-to-day needs by developing case plans and support
- Identify the implications of marginalization on the spread of HIV and its effects on those infected and affected
- Be familiar with and adhere to PLN's vision statement, policies and procedures
- Complete all other related duties as required by the Member Services department Manager
- For a full description of duties, please refer to PLN's website www.positivelivingnorth.ca

Closing Date: Monday, January 17, 2011, 4:00 pm Interviews will be held the week of January 24, 2011

Please mail or fax resumes to: Steve Lorenz, Member Services Manager, Positive Living North 1563-2nd Avenue, Prince George, BC, V2L 3B8 Fax: 250-562-3317

We appreciate everyone's interest, but only those candidates who are short-listed will be contacted

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