

## Mental Wellness Counsellor

(Job #2021.022)

**Location: Sault Ste. Marie      12 Month Contract**

### About Maamwesying North Shore Community Health Services:

Maamwesying North Shore Community Health Services is a Health Centre focused on family and community health for indigenous people. Community-led health teams develop programs to improve the social supports and conditions that affect long term health, culturally appropriate programs and services for Indigenous peoples, combining traditional health and western medical practices.

We have an exciting opportunity to join our team in the position of Mental Wellness Counsellor. Our eight health centres are located throughout the Northern Ontario region from Sudbury to Sault Ste. Marie along the Highway #17 corridor. This position requires travel.

Under the supervision of the Mental Wellness Program Manager, the Mental Wellness Counsellor is responsible for providing culturally appropriate outreach mental wellness assessment, counselling and support services to Indigenous adults (18+ years) in collaboration with Maamwesying North Shore Community Health Services partner sites and agencies. This will require initial and ongoing appropriate client assessments, treatment planning, documentation and identifying therapeutic supports and resources for individual clients. You will provide one on one therapeutic support through various counselling and intervention techniques, ensuring a Circle of Care approach is used in case planning to promote mental wellness outcome with the contributions of the clients formal and informal support network.

### Qualifications:

- Minimum Honors Bachelor of Social Work (HBSW) or related degree
- Preference for minimum of 2 years related work experience
- Member of Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers
- Must have proven clinical abilities and skills to provide counselling support to adults with significant mental health challenges.
- Must have working knowledge and experience on First Nation mental health issues and Indigenous culture, history and issues.
- Ability to work collaboratively with front line community workers and other health practitioners.
- Ability to work collaboratively with a clinical supervisor and other mental health specialists,
- Must be able to work flexible hours, including evenings and weekends
- Must possess a valid driver's license and access to a reliable vehicle;

*Given the traditional practices of Aboriginal people, from time to time exposure to smoke from the burning of sacred medicines such as tobacco, sweet grass, sage or cedar may occur. Accommodations for the disabled will be available upon request. An offer of employment will be conditional upon an acceptable vulnerable sector police records check. Hiring of Aboriginal People will be given preference, as allowed under Section 14 of the Ontario Human Rights Code – Special Programs*

### Application Deadline: July 7, 2021

Qualified individuals are invited to submit via email to [HR@nmninoeyaa.ca](mailto:HR@nmninoeyaa.ca) a cover letter along with current resume, certificates, diplomas, and three references.

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