

INTERNAL POSTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Position: Trauma Informed Care Coordinator

Background:

Formed in 1988, Matawa First Nations Management (Matawa) is a Tribal Council providing services to nine member communities in Northern Ontario. The organization is dedicated to providing its members with advisory and support services in the areas of communications, economic development, education, finance and business, health, membership and technical services.

The Matawa Education Department supports quality, accessible, community-based educational services for eight Matawa First Nations communities of Aroland, Eabametoong, Nibinamik, Long Lake #58, Ginoogaming, Neskantaga, Marten Falls and Webequie First Nations. In addition to providing advisory services to Education Authorities and Matawa First Nation leadership, the Education Department administers post-secondary support services for 5 Matawa First Nations; operates the Matawa Learning Centre, a private secondary school located in Thunder Bay; and coordinates the Student Nutrition Program for 6 communities.

Matawa is inviting applications for the position of **Trauma Informed Care Coordinator (TICC)** with the Matawa Education Department.

Position Summary:

The TICC will assist MECC staff who work with students of traumatic situations get the social, emotional, medical and psychological assistance they need to recover from their experience. The role combines operating directly with MECC staff while having an active role in the school working with highly vulnerable students. They will work closely with the MECC Administration and staff in the development of prevention and intervention programs specific to students' mental wellness needs.

The TICC shall assist in the development and implementation of a strategic plan that best reflects a trauma informed school. Assist in the development of a plan that addresses and promotes the safety of students who attend an off-reserve school. This may include working with parents, boarding parents, Education Counsellors, and other service provider.



The TICC will ensure school administration and staff have applicable training that shows best practices and approaches of a trauma informed school. The TICC will provide guidance and support to all MECC staff in the implementation of trauma in care pedagogy, while ensuring this methodology is consistent and prevalent in all school programming and services.

Preferred Qualifications and Experience:

The ideal applicant will have:

- 3+ years education related work experience;
- Bachelor's degree or college diploma in one of the following areas: Community Services (Social Worker, Social Service Worker, Child & Youth Care, Native Child and Family Services, Health Services); or equivalent community work experience;
- Knowledge of Indigenous Education and Mental Health issues, challenges, and delivery models;
- Experience working with Indigenous youth who have experienced trauma and/or may be in crisis;
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills;
- Experience with administrative duties including record keeping, budgeting and reporting;
- Ability to work effectively with staff, parents and guardians, and administration;
- Fluency in Ojibway or Oji-Cree is considered an asset;
- Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality.

Applicants will also have excellent oral and written communication skills; interpersonal and leadership skills; stress management skills; demonstrated ability to work effectively with teachers, principals, students, administration, government and First Nations; and hold a valid driver's license or the ability to obtain.

This position is based in Thunder Bay, Ontario and is a contract position to June 26, 2020 with the possibility of extension pending funding and a successful performance review.



For additional information, including specific qualifications for the position, please view the Job Description at the Matawa website:
www.matawa.on.ca.

Please send your cover letter and resume with three employment references to:
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We offer competitive salary commensurate with education and work experience.

We thank all applicants for their interest in working with Matawa First Nations, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.
Application Deadline: September 23, 2019

