#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Position: Public Health Nurse** 

# **Background:**

Incorporated in 2017, the Matawa Health Co-operative (MHC) is a Matawa First Nation owned and controlled health co-operative that provides health care services to enhance existing health services to achieve long-term health and well-being for all members within the nine (9) Matawa First Nations. It is overseen by a Board of Directors and is a member of the Health Care Co-operatives Federation of Canada. The MHC is community-driven with available services being tailored to individual community's needs. It is the first of its kind in Canada.

The MHC works to incorporate traditional healing and medicines in addressing the wholistic health needs of the Matawa First Nations focusing on the priorities of mental health and addictions, diabetes and chronic diseases. It oversees an Inter-Professional Primary Care Health Team made up of a clinical coordinator, 7 nurses (3 are Certified Diabetes Educators), 2 physicians, 1-foot care nurse, 1.5 nurse practitioner(s), and 2 mental health counsellors providing direct services in the Matawa First Nations or through telemedicine.

The organization is accepting applications for a Public Health Nurse

## **Position Summary:**

The Public Health Nurse is responsible for providing public health programs and services on health protection, promotion, promotion and maintenance, disease and injury prevention and community participation and development to all Matawa communities

- Public Health Nursing consultant to other professional and community groups for Matawa.
- Planning and delivering a Public Health Programs, taking into consideration our Indigenous culture and traditional values which influence individual, family and community;
- Identifies local health issues and population-based needs in health planning.
- Provide ongoing assessment and recommendations to the treatment team and patient/family/support systems for adjustments in the plan of care as required
- Delivering public health services in group or individual settings, such as, in home and/or designated community sites, health care facility, and the community hall
- Supporting the First Nations in development of safe efficient health facilities/operations

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## Preferred Qualifications, Experience, Knowledge and Abilities:

The Public Health Nurse must be

- Registered with the College of Nurses of Ontario;
- Bachelor's degree in Nursing 3 with a minimum of 2 years of related nursing work experience;

The incumbent should also have proficient knowledge in the following areas:

- Exceptional oral, written and presentation skills
- Excellent interpersonal communication and, organizational skills
- Expertise in developing and maintaining excellent working relationships with all members of the health care team and partner organizations
- Ability to prioritize, manage time effectively
- Capacity to adapt quickly to a fast-paced, dynamic work environment
- Knowledge of various computer systems and applications (i.e. Microsoft Office, etc.)

Applicants will have skills and personal attributes as described in the job description.

**Location:** Thunder Bay, Ontario (with extensive travel to Matawa road-access

and remote communities)

**Salary:** Commensurate with experience

Term: 1 year full time contract

**How to Apply:** Please send your cover letter and resume with three references to:

Matawa Health Co-operative RE: Public Health Nurse

233 Court Street South, 1st Floor

Thunder Bay, ON P7B 2X9

Fax: (807) 346-2371

Email: careers@matawa.on.ca

**Deadline:** Open Until Filled

For additional information, please view the job description at the Matawa website:

#### www.matawa.on.ca/recruitment/career-opportunities

We thank all applicants for their interest in working with the Matawa Health Cooperative, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

















