



INTERNAL/EXTERNAL POSTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Position: MSCC - Mental Health Worker

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 **Mental Worker (MHW)** within the newly developed Matawa Student Care Centre located in the Matawa Education and Care Centre in Thunder Bay ON. The MHW will work evening and weekend hours to support students living in the Student Care Centre after school hours.

Position Summary:

The MHW will be subjected to highly confidential material in relation to the MSCC, student information. The MHW shall conduct him/herself in a highly professional manner and must adhere to the appropriate guidelines regarding confidentiality as per Matawa First Nations Policies and Procedures and the MSCC Policy and Guidelines.

The MHW will ensure the needs of students living in the MSCC and attending provincial school off reserve. This includes identifying any supports required by Matawa students attending the MECC or other provincial schools.

The MHW will liaise with community and social service organizations to form partnerships to support and enhance school the mental health program. This will include prevention programs that address any type of addictions, self-harming and suicidal behavior.





Preferred Qualifications and Experience:

The ideal applicant will have:

- A Degree in Social Work, School Psychology, or related discipline and work experience;
- Understanding of mental health issues with First Nation youth;
- Mental Health service provider;
- Experience in strategic planning and development in mental health and wellness for First Nation students;
- Experience and understanding of mental health strategies and intervention models to support student success and academic setting;
- Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality;
- First Nation Cultures and life styles; and
- Fluency in Ojibway, Cree or Oji-Cree is considered an asset.

Matawa First Nations Management has adopted a COVID-19 Vaccination Policy by which all staff who are eligible must be fully vaccinated. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please contact us.

This position is based in Thunder Bay, Ontario and is a contract position to March 31, 2023.

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:

Matawa First Nations Management
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RE: **MSCC Mental Health Worker**
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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: July 14, 2022 at 4:30pm EST

