

# **Constance Lake Education Authority**

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### **Employment Opportunity**

Constance Lake Education Authority Board is accepting applications for one (1)

Registered Art Therapist – Contract

Location: Mamawmatawa Holistic Education Centre

#### **JOB SUMMARY**

Constance Lake Education Authority (CLEA) is seeking an individual who will be responsible for the delivery of psychotherapy/counselling through the therapeutic use of art to the children and youth of Constance Lake First Nation. The Registered Art Therapist will have a primary focus on the children and youth (up to the age of 18) enrolled at Mamawmatawa Holistic Education Centre, in order to achieve optimum psycho-social functioning, prevent unnecessary deterioration and promote student independence. The Art Therapist will be working closely with the school Mental Health Team, as well as collaborate with external organizations/professionals providing mental health services.

#### **EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS AND CREDENTIALS**

- Bachelor's or Master's degree in social work or related fields from a recognized institution
- Must be a member in good standing of the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers (OCSWSSW) or the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario (CRPO)
- Must have a verifiable professional designation as an Art Therapist through a suitable association/registering body i.e RCAT through CATA, DTATI through TATI etc.)
- Minimum 1-2 yrs experience in a community or clinical setting
- Background and experience with Indigenous culture and/or children and youth is preferable
- Must have Personal Liability Insurance
- Applied Suicide Intervention Skill Training (ASIST) and/or Preventive Management of Aggressive Behaviour (PMAB) is an asset
- Clear Vulnerable Sector Police Check
- Must go through pre-employment process by completing drug and alcohol testing as per CLEA policy

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Provide assessment and treatment to school-aged children and youth who present with a broad range of psychological and/or social difficulties either individually or in a group (i.e whole class)
- Provide support which promotes mental wellness, child growth and development, healthy parent-child relations, and positive child-school dynamics
- Offering referrals to other supportive social services within the community and/or to other mental health professionals/medical professionals
- Maintenance of supplies and continued organization of Art Therapy room
- Participation in meetings with the School Mental Health Team to discuss success and challenges
  of the program, deliver feedback from families, and communicate any opportunities for family
  support
- Responsible for arranging transportation and accommodation to provide in-person services for 1 week at a time, approximately every 6 weeks during the school year (total 9 visits)

#### **SKILLS**

- Comprehensive knowledge of psychotherapy/counselling interventions, practice methods and professional skills
- Knowledge of other community resources, treatment centres, social service networks and organizations
- Good understanding of the roles of other health care professionals and complementary therapies
- Strong evidence-based mediation, negotiation and conflict resolution skills to respond or assist in emergency /crisis situations



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#### **SKILLS CONT'D**

- Strong evidence-based practices and assessment skills to support traumatic events
- Advanced oral and written communication skills in English to establish and maintain a wide range of contacts with health care professionals and community organizations
- Demonstrated ability to analyze and make independent decisions, think critically, and be innovative to create/modify strategy or intervention techniques to suit the individual needs of students/clients
- Ability to work collaboratively with school administration and staff regarding behavioural management, social skills development and anger management to facilitate academic success for students

#### **COMPENSATION**

Total of nine 1-week rotations through school year: \$ 47 904.39

**DEADLINE:** Open until filled

A curriculum vitae along with a cover letter and 3 employment references can be delivered to the Administrative Office or forwarded to the attention of Ken Neegan by e-mail, fax or mail. For more information contact Cindy Proulx (details below).

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We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.