

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Position: Mental Health Worker – Matawa Education and Care Centre

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 seven Matawa First Nation communities: Aroland, Eabametoong, Nibinamik, Long Lake #58, Ginoogaming, Neskantaga, 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 Education and Care Centre (MECC), a private secondary school located in Thunder Bay; and coordinates the Student Nutrition Program for 6 communities.

At this time, Matawa First Nations Management invites applications from qualified applicants for the position of Mental Health Worker in the Matawa Education and Care Centre (MECC) located in Thunder Bay, Ontario. The MECC provides a unique learning environment to support students as they move toward the successful completion of their secondary education and continue their pathways to work, training or post-secondary education programs.

Position Summary:

The MECC Mental Health Worker (MHW) will contribute to the academic and social experience of the school environment by addressing mental health issues.

The main responsibility of the MHW is to provide mental health support to Matawa First Nations students attending MECC and High Schools in Thunder Bay. The MECC MHW will address the mental health needs of students, and work in collaboration with the MECC Principal, staff, and community.





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EDUCATION

Preferred Qualifications/Requirements:

- A Degree in Social Work, School Psychology, or related discipline and work experience.
- Understanding of mental health issues with First Nation youth.
- Understanding of First Nation and Ontario education systems.
- Understanding of mental health strategies and intervention models to support student success in an academic setting.
- Mental Health service providers.
- Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality.
- Current Vulnerable Sector Criminal Reference Check.
- Fluency in Ojibway or Oji-Cree is considered an asset.

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

Salary: \$60,000

Please submit cover letter with resume and three employment references to:

Matawa First Nations Management
RE: Mental Health Worker
200 Lillie Street North
Thunder Bay, Ontario P7C 5Y2
Email: careers@matawa.on.ca

Closing Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026

We thank all applicants for their interest in working with Matawa First Nations Management, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

