



JOB POSTING

Title:	Opioid Addiction Outreach Worker
Reports to:	Health Director or designate
Terms:	until April 30, 2020 (possible extension if funding approved)
Hours:	35 hours per week
Salary:	\$42,000 - \$46,000 per annum dependent on qualifications
Location:	Health Centre

Job Summary:

The Opioid Addiction Outreach Worker is a funded position to assist our community members and clients with Harm Reduction Outreach services and works with the Health team to deliver services related to addictions. The Outreach Worker works with community members, known and suspected addicted persons, and street-involved people and is responsible for initiating contact, developing rapport, providing support, prevention education, advocacy, case management, and referral. Services are provided through street walks, mobile van outreach, and at fixed sites and where people live.

Specific duties and responsibilities will also include, but are not limited to the following and may be subject to change:

Responsibilities

- Provide Harm Reduction Outreach Services to community members, including distribution of injection equipment
- Train and provide naloxone kits to community members
- Provide educational materials on harm reduction, HIV/AIDS, Hep C, etc.
- Provide support for people who use drugs with regards to health promotion, and community resources/referrals,
- Order, stock and maintain needle exchange and other instruments
- Make referrals to other services including withdrawal management, residential retreatment and counselling
- Build working relationships with NNADAP, Building Healthy Communities, and Community Health Representative
- Develop and deliver prevention and harm reduction presentations/messages to target populations in a variety of venues, including parks, bars, community agencies, and online
- Involve community partner agencies, health care providers, and stakeholders in the planning and delivery of educational material
- Record and monitor statistical information to identify current issues and client needs
- Liaise with managers of outreach venues to identify outreach spaces
- Organize various meetings/workshops to educate community on the opioid/naloxone program
- Provide clean equipment to substance users including safe injection and safe inhaling equipment
- Contribute to a more coordinated opioid response
- Reduce the transmission of blood borne illnesses
- Develop partnership with Regional HIV/AIDS Connection
- Maintain data for reporting deliverables
- Establish an inventory safe injection and safe inhaling equipment and educate on safe use and practices
- Report on activities of the program to the funder
- To recruit, orient, train, and monitor peer ambassadors (people who have lived experience with drug use)
- Other related duties as assigned

Qualifications

- Post-secondary education in social services or related field or equivalent counselling/case management experience
- Experience working in social services or related field with Indigenous people, organizations, and communities
- Demonstrated understanding and working knowledge of addictions, sexuality and harm reduction principles and the ability to understand and practice harm reduction principles as they relate to substance use and sexual activity

- Knowledge and understanding of cultural sensitivity
- Analytical and problem-solving skills
- Demonstrated ability to work under pressure, to anticipate potential problems/conflicts and take appropriate actions, and to meet deadlines.
- Willing to work flexible hours
- Ability to exercise discretion in handling confidential subject matter
- Excellent computer skills for reporting and presentation purposes, and general office equipment knowledge
- Must have a valid Class 'G' driver's license with \$2M liability insurance with reliable method of transportation (organization fleet to be used; however may not always be available)
- Current Criminal Reference Check with Vulnerable Sector Search required (if offered position)
- Exhibits strong written, verbal, and evaluation skills
- Current First Aid/CPR with AED certification (or willingness to obtain)

Applications MUST include:

- Current covering letter
- Current resume including current contact information (phone number and email address if available)
- Three names of references with telephone numbers and/or email addresses (one must be current or most recent employer)

DEADLINE DATE: Friday December 13, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m.
 (*No Late Applications Accepted*)

Only qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview
Qualified Saugeen First Nation members will be given priority

Successful candidate will be asked to provide a current Criminal Record Check including Vulnerable Sector Screening as a condition of employment

Applications will be received:

At Office: Employment and Training Centre (519) 797-1224

By Fax: (519) 797-3458

By E-Mail: employment@saugeen.org

By Mail: Saugeen First Nation Hiring Committee R.R.#1, Southampton, ON N0H 2L0

If you are interested in this posting, but do not meet the qualifications criteria, consider visiting SEZ to find out how to obtain the education and training required. Your contributions to our community are important to all of us.