



WE ARE HIRING

Traditional Counsellor- Elders
Thunder Woman Healing Lodge Society (TWHLS)
Part-time -Honorarium provided
Work from home

ABOUT TWHLS

TWHLS is a community-driven initiative raised out of concern and recognition of the urgent need to break the cycle of Indigenous women's over-representation in Canada's prisons. Indigenous-led, we provide trauma-informed, culturally appropriate services for First Nation (Status and Non-Status), Inuit, and Metis 2SLGBTQIA+ women exiting the justice system.

Our Mission

Thunder Woman Healing Lodge Society will promote and provide services for First Nation (Status and Non-Status), Inuit, and Metis 2SLGBTQIA+ Women to focus on their journey to wholeness and balance.

Our Vision

To provide First Nation (Status and Non-Status), Inuit, and Metis 2SLGBTQIA+ women a place in the Greater Toronto Area to heal and reclaim positive cultural identity, rehabilitation, and wellness.

Our Mandate

To establish a Healing Lodge for First Nations (Status and Non-Status), Inuit, and Metis 2SLGBTQIA+ women who have come into conflict with the law, and for those who have survived intergenerational trauma. To provide cultural support, traditional knowledge, and resources, for the advancement of wholeness and balance. To empower First Nations (Status and Non-Status), Inuit, and Metis 2SLGBTQIA+ Women to take their honoured place within their community and culture.

Duties & Responsibilities

- Providing counselling, to Indigenous women who have been involved with correctional system through a model of culturally based interventions
- Providing counselling to Indigenous women who have mental health and addictions issues



- Assisting clients to identify their issues, determine their healing path and establish their goals
- Providing care that integrates teachings and traditional healing modalities and reflects an understanding of health issues facing the Indigenous communities, such as the effects of colonization and the residential school system
- Working in collaboration with other support staff, ensuring that client care plan is being reached

Qualifications and Experience

- Minimum of 2 years' experience with case management, mental health counselling and outreach
- Strong understanding of counselling ethics, including consent, confidentiality, and boundaries
- Ability to work collaboratively as part of a multi-disciplinary team
- Thorough understanding of issues affecting Indigenous women
- Well-developed knowledge of Indigenous culture, history, traditions, medicines, and healing approaches
- Knowledge of Aboriginal language an asset
- Training and / or experience in Traditional Counselling
- Due to COVID all counselling sessions will be virtual, knowledge and confident of Zoom and online video platforms is a major asset

**** We strongly urge Indigenous (First Nations, Metis, and Inuit) individuals to apply and self-identify. Please send your cover letter and resume to Patti Pettigrew: p.pettigrew@twhls.ca**

Please subject email: Traditional Counsellor

Only successful candidates will be contacted.

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