



## NUXALK NATION COMMUNITY WELLNESS JOB POSTING

### **MENTAL WELLNESS THERAPIST**

Seeking qualified team member to fill this position. Full-time position. Under the supervision of the Director of Community Wellness, the **Mental Wellness Therapist** is responsible for providing group, family and individual therapy to members of the Nuxalk Nation suffering from untreated and unresolved historic and intergenerational trauma related to residential school abuse, and other colonial assaults. This position works collaboratively within the Community Wellness Team to assess the survivor's level of trauma and counseling needs. This is a new service being provided within the Nuxalk Nation Wellness Department, so this position will be involved in the development of mental wellness services. This position will have support from a local interdepartmental clinical consultation team, as well as a province-wide clinical consultation team of other therapists in similar communities.

This position will work within the Nuxalk Nation Wellness Team to coordinate intervention efforts in collaboration with other staff members, as well as external partners. The Community Wellness Department provides youth outreach services, child and family supports, mental health and substance abuse intervention, and suicide prevention support. Nuxalk Nation recognizes that families thrive when protective factors are robust in their lives and community. All Nuxalk Community Wellness Services will focus on strengthening the community by increasing protective factors through a holistic worldview perspective of addressing body, mind, spirit, and context.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Masters Degree in Social Work, or other recognized Allied Mental Health Disciplines; Registered Clinical Social Worker (or capacity to transfer registration) with the British Columbia College of Social Workers or equivalent registered discipline; A minimum of 5 years recent experience working effectively in mental health and addiction clinical services; Training and experience with treatment modalities found to be effective with trauma, such as EMDR and DBT; Criminal History cleared to work with children and vulnerable populations; Knowledge and experience working with aboriginal survivors of inter-generational colonial trauma, addictions, alcohol or drug affected persons, and victims of sexual abuse; The ability to maintain strong professional boundaries within the cultural context of the Nuxalk Nation community; Valid Class 5 BC Driver's License; This position requires a willingness to work flexible hours, including some weekend, early morning, and evening hours. **Preferred Experience:** Aboriginal Ancestry (as per Special Programs with the BC Human Rights Tribunal); Prior experience working effectively in Aboriginal Communities; Prior experience living and/or working in a rural environment. This position will receive a very competitive compensation package, including an investment in trauma stewardship.

Consider joining the Community Wellness Team during this dynamic *time of strengthening Nuxalk wellness*. Full job description is available upon invitation to interview or per request. Send resume and cover letter to Darlene Hall, Community Wellness Director, at [communitywellness@nuxalknation.ca](mailto:communitywellness@nuxalknation.ca).