



## Social Worker, Indigenous Care - BC Women's Hospital

**Help Indigenous patients and families address social and emotional stressors associated with perinatal issues and treatment, including loss and bereavement.**

In this role, you will:

- Work with individuals with mental health issues, including grief, loss, and assessments of depression, suicide, and anxiety.
- Conduct comprehensive psychosocial and family assessments.
- Support patients and their families by providing education, short-term counseling and crisis intervention to families and other relevant caregivers and organize and facilitate psycho-educational, counseling and bereavement groups for partners and their families.
- Provide comprehensive clinical counseling to women, children and their families, focusing on their social, emotional and cultural needs, including adjustment to diagnosis and treatment decisions, loss of functioning, and dealing with emotional and family crises in the context of evidence-based care.
- Facilitate complex discharge planning with the team, patient, family and community agencies, including coordinating regular meetings to ensure psycho-social follow-up and ensuring care plans are coordinated with appropriate referrals and resources.

### Qualifications

You have:

- A Master's Degree in Social Work from an accredited School of Social Work.
- Current full registration with the BC College of Social Workers.
- Experience in mental health, child protection, women's issues, intimate partner violence, harm reduction model, and grief and loss in a health care or hospital setting.
- At least one (1) year of recent, related experience including clinical skills in crisis intervention, assessment, short-term counseling, individual, group, and family counseling.

You are passionate about:

- Indigenous-centered care and the unique needs of Indigenous populations and health services.
- Indigenous history, culture, communities, cultural interference, social determinants of health, and Indigenous health policy and direction.



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You have knowledge of:

- The psychosocial needs of women and families with health and/or mental health conditions.
- Community resources as well as specific resources for Indigenous patients and families.
- Child protection issues and relevant legislation concerning children, consents and FOIPPA.
- Formalized agreements between Children and Women's Hospital and the Ministry of Child and Family Development related to child protection protocols and other formal agreements with community agencies and related Children and Women's Hospital guidelines.
- Adoption legislation and related clinical guidelines.

Pursuant to Section 41 of the BC Human Rights Code, preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal Ancestry.

If this sounds like you, apply now!

**BC Women's Hospital & Health Centre** ([www.bcwomens.ca](http://www.bcwomens.ca)) is the only facility in British Columbia devoted primarily to the health of women, newborns and families. It is part of the Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA). PHSA provides specialized health services to British Columbians, including cancer care, organ transplantation, pediatrics, emergency services, mental health and substance use services. Our values reflect our commitment to excellence and include: Respect people – Be compassionate – Dare to innovate – Cultivate partnerships – Serve with purpose. Learn more about PHSA and our programs: <https://jobs.phsa.ca/family-brands>

We hire on the basis of merit and encourage all qualified applicants to apply. We recognize that our ability to provide the best care for our diverse patient populations relies on a rich diversity of skills, knowledge, backgrounds and experiences. We strive to create a safe and welcoming environment where everyone can come to work and be their best, authentic self.

*Reference #: 80647*

**Regular Full-Time**

Wage: \$33.59 to \$41.89 Hourly

4500 Oak Street, Vancouver, BC

**To apply to this role or for more information, please contact Kristen Neeser, Advisor, Talent Acquisition – Clinical Services at (604) 875-7152 or email [Kristen.neeser@phsa.ca](mailto:Kristen.neeser@phsa.ca)**