



# De dwa da dehs nye>s Aboriginal Health Centre

*We're Taking Care of Each Other Amongst Ourselves.*

## **Our Mission:**

Improving the health and well-being of Indigenous individuals, families and communities through wholistic Indigenous, Traditional and Western health care.

## **INTERESTED APPLICANTS**

Please submit your resume and cover letter to:

[humanresources@dahac.ca](mailto:humanresources@dahac.ca)

or

Attention: Human Resources  
Aboriginal Health Centre  
678 Main Street East  
Hamilton ON L8M 1K2

Nya:weh / Miigwetch to all applicants

Only those selected for interviews will be contacted

**Deadline to Apply:  
Open until Filled**

Please note that **ONLY** complete applications with cover letter will be considered.

***Preference is given to candidates of Indigenous Decent.***

## **Addictions Counsellor– Niagara (up to 12 month contract)**

Reports to the Mental Health & Addictions Team Lead & Mental Health Manager

Part Time Hourly Rate: \$29.00

## **INTRODUCTION:**

De dwa da dehs nye>s Aboriginal Health Centre's Mental Health & Addictions Program is seeking a part-time Mental Health and Addictions Counselor in Niagara. The successful candidate will provide one-on-one mental health and addiction counseling services to individual's age 16+. The MHA counselor will provide counseling that is rooted in culture, holistic, trauma-informed, and strengths based.

## **Required Knowledge, Skills, and Ability**

- Have knowledge of Historical Trauma and Intergenerational trauma of Indigenous Peoples.
- Experience working with and extensive knowledge of Indigenous Peoples language, culture, customs, and traditions
- Knowledge of harm reduction strategies, referrals to detox, treatment planning, wellness and recovery planning, relapse prevention, anxiety, and depression, coping skills and techniques
- Ability to effectively manage disruptive behavior and de-escalation in crisis situations.
- Experience working with and addressing addictions, concurrent disorders, and active substance users
- Knowledge and ability to integrate wholistic based and evidence-based practice into the planning and evaluation of client and program intervention from a trauma informed lens.
- Ability to complete intakes, provide clinical assessments and interventions as needed, develop treatment plans, referrals, and discharge.
- Consult with and provide information to DAHC staff regarding clients and assist with the development of care plans for complex clients.
- Participate in case conferences for client plans of care with external agencies and services where appropriate.
- Maintain clinical records and data compilation utilizing the electronic medical record according to requirements of the DAHC.
- Respect the rights, dignity, and feelings of others to create a safe and respectful work environment that is free from harassment, discrimination, and violence.
- Established self-care routine and supports.
- Other duties may be assigned by team lead &/or management.

## **STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Undergraduate and/or Master degree in Social Work, Mental Health & Addictions, Psychology or Sociology, from a recognized university preferred. College Diploma and related experience will be considered
- 2-5+ years experience working with individuals with complex needs
- Ability to register with a regulatory body – i.e. OCSWSSW or CRPO

## **OTHER REQUIRMENTS:**

- Must provide proof of full vaccination or request medical/religious/creed exemption prior to start date.

### **100% Organization Paid Benefits**

- Health Benefits
- Employee Life AD&D Insurance
- Business Travel Life and Disability Insurance
- Dependent Life Insurance
- Employee Critical Illness Insurance
- Travel Accident Insurance
- Long Term (LTD) Benefit

### **Retirement Benefits**

- Hospitals of Ontario Pension Plan (HOOP) with Immediate Eligibility