

Requires a

Akwe:go Children's Program Worker

Ne-Chee Friendship Centre requires an enthusiastic, energetic individual to deliver its AKWE:GO Children's Program, focusing on after-school interventions. This position will be responsible to ensure that the needs of children, ages 7-12, identified as at risk, are met in a timely and culturally sensitive manner.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To ensure that the Akwe:go Program is grounded in culture based child development principles and practices
- To promote the development of protocols and referral agreements as appropriate to meet the developmental needs of Indigenous children in the community
- To conduct a needs assessment for children and to develop a plan of action to meet the needs of children referred to the Akwe:go Program
- To refer children to appropriate services as required to meet the needs of the children and to document the results of these referrals
- To coordinate individual and group activities (physical, social) as required to meet needs of program clients
- To liaise with community children's services
- To assist in children's development through increasing life skills, safety awareness and anti-violence training
- To increase cultural understanding of children and their families

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Post-secondary degree or diploma in Social or Human services; or relevant accredited training combined with related work experience
- Previous work experience dealing with Indigenous children and youth
- Ability to work professionally, collaboratively with children, youth & their families as well as agency, community and agency personnel
- Excellent communication skills both written & verbal; proficient in offering presentations
- Working knowledge of computers
- Positive attitude & demonstrated capacity to act as a healthy lifestyle role model
- Able to work flexible hours including evenings and occasional weekends
- Valid driver's license and access to a vehicle
- First Aid/CPR training definite asset

Comprehensive benefit package including a pension plan Salary Range: \$46,000 to \$48,000 to start

* A Current Vulnerable Persons Check will be required upon offer of employment

Preference will be given to Indigenous applicants. Please self-identify upon applying

DEADLINE: OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Please submit your <u>resume</u> along with a <u>cover letter</u> to: **Ne-Chee Friendship Centre** - 326 Second Street South, Kenora, ON P9N 1G5 Fax: (807) 468-5340 E-Mail: <u>criminalcourtwork@nechee.org</u>

We wish to thank all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be acknowledged.