

# We are hiring: OHPIKOWIN YOUTH WORKER

#### **ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Ohpikowin Youth Worker is responsible for support services provided to youth and young adults who have reached or surpassed the age of majority, i.e. a young person who is older than the age of majority residing in the First Nation, to help First Nation youth and young adults to have access to Post-Majority Support Services (Ohpikowin). Provide financial support, safe, stable, comfortable housing, learning, educational and professional development opportunities, promoting physical, mental, and social wellbeing, Re-connect with land, culture, language and community. The Ohpikowin Youth Worker will act as the first lead mentor through the process and leading up to seeking other lead mentors in their circle of care network.

- The Ohpikowin Youth Worker will perform routine tasks like reporting, submitting claims, data entry, organization, cross-referencing, scanning, copying and file retrieval.
- Researching and locating past aged youth
- Support the Ohpikowin Manager and Ohpikowin Case Manager of the Ohpikowin Program.
- Transport youth to programming, appointments, training, family visits. Any travel identified in their case plans.
- Provide life skills and independent living skills support and learning.
- Ensure youth maintain contact with family, community to strengthen the support system.
- Ensure youth are attending ceremonies.
- Create activities for youth which are helpful in ensuring healthy development and healthy relationships for youth.
- Provide emotional, spiritual, physical, mental support.
- Ability to recognize potential crises, analyze these situations accurately and implement the strategies to deal with them.
- Teach youth the importance of visiting and maintaining contact standards.
- Work closely with youth mental health supports.
- Engage youth in acceptable recreational and social activities in the community that will build do their strengths, develop their interpersonal skills, and supports their involvement in their beliefs to help strengthen their sense of identity.
- Adhere and enforce OLFS policies and procedures.
- Performs other duties that are complimentary to the role of Ohpikowin Youth Worker.

## QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- Must have a Grade 12 diploma
- Certificate in Youth Care Worker/Diploma or equivalent, or Social Worker Certificate/Diploma or equivalent or related work experience.
- Ability to understand and speak Cree is an asset
- Valid class 5 with Driver's Abstract
- Clear Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector

## **COMPETENCIES**

- Maintain positive relationships with Child and Family Service Agencies and Community Groups.
- Knowledge of provincial child and family services legislation, regulations, policies, and procedures.
- Understanding of challenges encountered by First Nations youth and families as well as dynamics of First Nations family systems
- Ability to show respect to all youth, including the LGBTQI+ youth.
- Ability in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Desktop applications.
- Respect for, as well as knowledge and understanding of Onion Lake Cree Nation traditional practices and protocols.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Ability to work independently and as part of a team

## HAZARD ASSOCIATED WITH JOB

- Physical and cognitive ergonomics
- Aggressive incoming calls
- Travel
- Some flexibility required for on evening and weekend work.

## **Contact/application information:**

To be considered for our recruitment round, please submit your resume with the following to <u>lynda.curtis@olfs.ca</u> :

- 1. Cover Letter
- 2. Current resume with dates specified
- 3. Three reference letters
- 4. Criminal Check
- 5. Driver's Abstract

We thank all applicants, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

#### POSTED: May 12, 2025

#### DEADLINE: May 30, 2025