



Native Child and Family Services of Toronto

Native Child and Family Services of Toronto is an Indigenous, community controlled multi-service agency. Our mission is to provide support, ensure safety and enhance the quality of life for Indigenous families, children, and youth within the greater Toronto area. Our agency works within a holistic framework, which builds on individual and family strengths, and engages clients as partners in identifying issues and their solutions.

Zhishay – Family Home Visitor

Classification: Regular Full-Time
Hours: 35 hrs/wk.

Rate: \$35,428 - \$53,680
Location: Scarborough

NCFST is committed to staffing a workforce representative of the Indigenous population we serve. We encourage First Nation, Metis and Inuit applicants to apply and to please self-identify in their cover letter.

Position Summary

Under the direction of the Supervisor, Indigenous Child and Family Centre, the Zhishay Program Worker will:

- Develop, implement and facilitate culture based early learning educational and prevention programs with a focus on young families and fathers ages 16-24.
- Deliver programs and services to the Indigenous young parent client base with a focus on young families and fathers ages 16-24.
- Ensure program content is evidence based and cultural based in all areas related to children development, nutrition, parenting, family violence and other matters that impacts their life circumstances.
- Undertake home visits, establish in-depth trusting and nurturing relationships with fathers and their children.
- Provide educational and supportive counselling to fathers on matters related to early learning and development, family life, relationships, and all other matters impacting their life circumstances.
- Provide one-on-one supportive services to families and their children.
- Develop and deliver both children's and fathers parenting and empowerment circles to promote a sense of identity and culture and parental involvement and capacity building.
- Intervene appropriately to crisis situations and make all suitable referrals to specialized supports including clinical services.
- Initiate and attend case service meetings with internal and external services.
- Attend overnight Parent/Child Camp and Camp Kawartha.
- Perform program outreach through internal and external resources and community events.
- Support young parents who may have experienced the loss of a child through apprehension.
- Maintain accurate reporting, case files and statistical data and submit reports.

What we are looking for:

- Post-secondary education in the human services field (ECE, CYW, SSW BSW etc.)
- Minimum of two years of experience.
- Alternatively, an equivalent combination of education and experience working with Indigenous peoples in a social services setting may be considered.
- Pass a Vulnerable Sector Police Record Check.
- An understanding of the issues impacting at-risk Indigenous families within the urban environment.
- A high level of cultural literacy and competence in the provision of culture based services.
- Experienced in the assessment of an infant's state of health and well-being.
- Knowledge of Child Development and developmental screening tools.
- Experience promoting and implementing age/stage developmental play/ parent child activities.
- Awareness of supports and resources within the community.
- Experience in crisis intervention.
- Ability to communicate and instruct parents on the care of infants.
- Ability to work within a multi-disciplinary team.
- Current education based on meeting infant/children's basic needs such as feeding, sleep, infant mental health, child development.
- Good verbal and written communication skills; Good organizational skills and ability to multitask.
- Demonstrated understanding, and commitment to, integrating the Native Child and Family Services of Toronto Mission and values in to practice, service and relationships.
- Demonstrated understanding of workplace Health and Safety practices and understanding of an employee's responsibility under current legislation.
- Ability to work effectively with all levels of staff, to maintain effective communication and working relationships, demonstrating strong interpersonal skills, tact, sensitivity and build strong internal relationships.

If you are interested in this job opportunity, please apply by email on or before **January 21, 2019** to hrcfst@nativechild.org quoting reference number **#18-12-07**.

We are committed to providing a barrier-free work environment in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code. As such, NCFST will make accommodations available to applicants with disabilities upon request during the recruitment process.