

**Shibogama Health Authority
Payahtakenemowin Wellness Program**

**Internal/External Employment Posting
Mental Wellness Counsellor – Community Mental Wellness Team
(Contract for Services - 1 year term)**

Summary of Position

The Mental Wellness Counsellor (MWC) travels monthly on five-day rotations consistently to an assigned Shibogama community. Receiving direction from Chief and Council, the Health Director and/or another assigned person, the MWC works closely with the local resource team to provide the following community-based services:

- a. Community-based mental health counselling regarding the cause, symptoms and prevention strategies of various mental health diagnoses.
- b. Response to crisis situations involving clients, including assessing and addressing high risk behavior (self-harm, suicide).
- c. Assistance in the development, coordination and implementation of community-based culturally appropriate programs, workshops, activities, and presentations.
- d. Development of respectful, cooperative working relationships with other services in the community, ensuring necessary collaboration with local resources to promote an integrated, seamless delivery of service.

Required Qualifications and Experience Related to the Position Include:

- Minimum Bachelor degree from an accredited university in Social Work, Psychology or other Social Science field relevant to the position. A combination of education, training and experience may also be considered.
- Minimum two years' recent related experience in a mental health and substance use environment, or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience.
- Thorough understanding of Indigenous approaches to healing and wellness.
- Excellent written and oral communication and interpersonal skills.
- Fluency in Oji-Cree is preferred.
- Excellent computer knowledge, data base management and record keeping.
- Membership or membership qualification in a recognized provincial regulatory body.
- Successful candidate must provide a clean, current CPIC and VSS prior to hiring.

Request a full job description from: lindak@shibogama.on.ca

Submit cover letter and resume to:

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Deadline: May 11, 2018 at 4:30 pm