

FAMILY SERVICES of the NORTH SHORE Job Posting

.8 FTE (28 hours per week)

Positions: Counsellor – Stopping the Violence Program

Position #: 19-1215

Reports to: Program Manager & Clinical Supervisor – Stopping the Violence

Location: North Vancouver office

Closing: August 18, 2019

The Agency:

Family Services of the North Shore is an accredited not-for-profit community-based agency committed to making a lasting and deep impact in our community through counselling, support, education and volunteer programs.

As a valued member of the staff, you will have the opportunity to work for an organization that respects its employees, values work / life balance and provides a workplace where interactions are carried out in a spirit of collaboration, cooperation and communication

The Program:

The Stopping the Violence program delivers counselling services to women who have experienced intimate partner violence, sexual abuse and / or childhood abuse as well as trafficked women. Services are primarily delivered to individual clients but will also include some group work.

The Job:

The majority of your caseload will be individual adult women who are responding to the trauma of intimate partner violence. You will also facilitate groups for women survivors at various points along the healing process. Work can either be shorter or longer term, depending on the needs and wishes of your client, as well as your assessment in conjunction with your supervisor. You may also see clients in our 14- week safety and stabilization program.

In addition to your clinical work and file documentation, you will receive regular supervision from your Program Manager / Clinical Supervisor, as well as an external consultant. You will also participate in group supervision, and team meetings and are expected to work collaboratively with members of the Agency staff.

These positions are ideally for 4 days per week (28 hours) but there is some flexibility for the right candidate.

In order to accommodate the schedules of clients, evening hours (at least one evening per week) are required.

The Candidate:

You have a Master's degree in clinical counselling, social work or related field, current registration with an accredited, professional organization and a minimum of 2 years of post-master's degree experience working with women who have been impacted by violence, using a trauma-informed, feminist perspective. Experience working with families who have been impacted by relationship violence, substance misuse, mental health issues, and poverty is essential. You have an understanding of how the therapeutic relationship may be shaped by social locations of ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and ability. Experience facilitating groups would also be an asset.



Language proficiency in Farsi would be a significant asset as would experience working with Indigenous women. Training in EMDR or other trauma-informed therapies would also be considered an asset.

Family Services of the North Shore is committed to diversity and inclusion within its workforce and encourages all candidates, irrespective of gender, nationality, religious and ethnic backgrounds, including persons with disabilities to apply to become part of our Agency.

Please respond, in confidence, with cover letter and resume to: Kathleen Whyte Senior Manager of Human Resources Family Services of the North Shore careers @familyservices.bc.ca

While we thank all applicants for their interest, only short-listed candidates will be contacted.