



FAMILY SERVICES of the NORTH SHORE: Job Posting – Internal

.6 FTE (21 hours per week)

Position:	Counsellor – Stopping the Violence Program (STV)
Position #:	20-1234
Reports to:	Program Manager & Clinical Supervisor – Stopping the Violence Program
Location:	North Vancouver office / home office
Closing:	October 4, 2020

The Agency:

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

We understand the competing responsibilities of modern life. In every role, we will support both your commitment to our community and the very real need to take care of your family. We also understand that in order to take care of others, you must first take care of yourself. At Family Services of the North Shore, you can do both. We aim to provide a sustainable model of work-life balance across all our programs and services.

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:

Most of your caseload will be individual adult women who are responding to the trauma of intimate partner violence. You may 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 individual supervision from your Program Manager / Clinical Supervisor. You will also participate in group supervision and team meetings. You are expected to work collaboratively with members of the Agency staff.

This position is 3 days (21 hours) per week.

In order to accommodate the schedules of clients, evening hours and potentially Saturdays will be required. You will provide services both virtually and in-person with virtual sessions being held either in the office or from home. The proportion of in-person vs virtual services will change over time depending on COVID-19 and other factors.



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 two 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 understand how the therapeutic relationship may be shaped by social locations of ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and ability. Experience facilitating groups is also an asset.

You have a good understanding of the importance of excellent file documentation practices.

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:

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