

Discovery House Family Violence Prevention Society

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT



POSITION TITLE:	Mental Health Clinician
REPORTS TO:	Team Lead, Clinical Mental Health
TERM OF EMPLOYMENT:	Permanent – Full Time
ANTICIPATED START DATE:	Immediately
LOCATION:	Calgary, Alberta

Discovery House is a trusted, dynamic Calgary organization devoted to the safety and well-being of women with children leaving domestic violence. We offer stability, hope and opportunity through long-term residential and individualized community support which result in healthier families and stronger communities.

POSITION OVERVIEW:

The Mental Health Clinician is responsible for providing assessments, supportive counselling and community connections for clients identifying with mental health and/or addictions concerns. This position is part of a Housing First case management team and works closely with the Community Housing Program, Shelter Program and Child and Youth Program teams to address a family's practical and emotional needs.

PRIMARY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The duties of a Mental Health Clinician include, but are not limited to:

- Perform assessments and provide support to client families experiencing mental health issues, addictions, and other psychosocial concerns.
- Initiate and track referrals to longer term and specialized treatment options as needed.
- Collaborate with community agencies and partners to advocate toward meeting the needs of the client family.
- Initiate and participate in case conferences with necessary parties as required.
- Participate in regular individual and group supervision.
- Establish and maintain appropriate documentation, record keeping, and statistics as required for clinical program standards.
- Keep accurate and up to date file notes.
- Maintain accurate record of time spent with each client, submitted monthly.
- Submit expense records, statistical records, and time reports monthly.
- Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS REQUIRED:

The ideal candidate will have:

- Knowledge of family violence as a clinical and social issue related to poverty and homelessness.
- Strong counselling, assessment, crisis management, and psychosocial intervention skills.
- Working knowledge of the DSM-IV-TR and DSM 5.
- Understanding of the Housing First and Harm Reduction models.

- Knowledge of legislation and regulations relevant to the operations of the pilot project (eg: Mental Health Act, Family Enhancement, etc.).
- Knowledge of community resources.
- Exceptional planning and organizational skills.
- Proven ability to multi-task, negotiate and prioritize.
- Ability to work independently and within a team environment.
- Strong written and oral communication skills.
- Demonstrated ability with computer programs, including but not limited to, MS Word, Outlook, Teams and Excel.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

- M.S.W. or related post-graduate degree in psychology, community rehabilitation or other human/health services field, or the equivalent in education and experience preferred.
- Bachelor's degree in a Human/Health Services required.
- Registration with the appropriate professional discipline recommended.
- Counselling and assessment experience with vulnerable populations required.
- Current CPR and First Aid certification desirable.
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This role currently works from home due to COVID-19 protocols, but normal working hours are Monday to Friday, 8am – 4pm, in the office.

TO APPLY:

Please send your resume and cover letter to careers@discoveryhouse.ca July 25, stating the job title in the subject line. We thank all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

We offer competitive salary, full benefits and a great environment to work in.

Discovery House is a committed equal opportunity employer. We acknowledge that we are situated on the Traditional Territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy: Siksika, the North and South Piikuni Nations, and the Kainai Tribe, including other members of Treaty Seven First Nations the Tsuut'ina Nation, and the three Bands of the Stone Nakoda Nations; Chiniki, Wesley, and Bearspaw. The City of Calgary is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region III, and all those who have made their home in this area.