**Family Wellness Partner**

**Location:** 100, 2323 32 Ave NE, Calgary, AB

**Position Type:** Full time

**Hours:** Monday – Friday (37.5 hours/ week)

**Program:** Mahmawi-atoskiwin

**Position Summary:**

Miskanawah is an Indigenous agency that draws jointly from the strengths and guidance of Indigenous teachings and traditions. We adopt evidence-based practices in human services to support vulnerable children, youth and families.

Miskanawah is seeking a Family Wellness Partner to work within our Mahmawi-atoskiwin program. This individual will be the primary contact person for the child/youth and/or family. Family Wellness Partners address child intervention concerns and work to promote family wellness, connection and reunification. This individual will report to the Team Leader at Mahmawi-atoskiwin working in close consultation with Children’s Services (CS) case workers.

**Responsibilities:**

* Supporting families during their involvement with CS in the home and community
* Build parental capacity, provide crisis management and safety plan with families and CS
* Evaluate family needs and support families in meeting them
* Willingness to learn about, participate in and embed ceremony and incorporate traditional ways of meeting needs in services. This may include meeting in Circle, with Elders, opening with a smudge and prayer, accessing a cultural resources specialist
* Establishing positive relationships with families and youth, advocating on behalf of families (where needed)
* For families with children in care, FWP’s assist with driving and supporting visits between children and their parents
* Provide on-call support to families on a rotation basis (approx. once per quarter), and driving families to sweat lodges (approx. once per quarter)
* Collaborate with other members of the team including families, colleagues, partners
* Ensure all documentation requirements including reporting is completed timeously
* Ensure outcomes, assessments, service plans etc. are current and up to date
* Contributes to a positive, supportive and rewarding work environment
* Work a flexible schedule including some evenings to meet the needs of the families

**Skills and experiences**:

* Ability to prioritize, time manage, and multi-task in a fast paced environment
* Strong customer service background
* Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing
* Ability to problem solve independently
* Flexible and adaptable to new tasks
* Demonstrate sound judgement and decision-making skills
* Previous work with Indigenous families is an asset
* Ability to manage deadlines
* Strong people skills; friendly, energetic, calm under pressure
* Self-motivated, uses initiative, detail oriented
* Proven organizational, time management and multi-tasking skills
* Ability to maintain a high level of accuracy in preparing and entering information
* Ability to exercise good judgment, and maturity

**Requirements:**

* Diploma or Degree in Human Services preferred or a related degree with experience
* Minimum three years’ experience with In-home Support and family work
* Knowledge of Children’s Services and child development
* Criminal Record and Vulnerable Sector Check
* Child Intervention Check
* Experience working for a Not-for-profit an asset
* Competency in Microsoft applications including Word, Excel and Outlook
* Current first aid and CPR
* Use of a reliable vehicle with $2,000,000 liability, permission to carry passengers and business coverage on the vehicle
* Valid driver’s license and a driver’s abstract with minimal demerits

We offer the opportunity to be part of a creative and positive work environment, a competitive salary, supports for professional development, opportunity for advancement, and the chance to be part of a team that supports children, youth and families to thrive within a culturally responsive community.

Please submit a cover letter and resume to aspelay@miskanaawah.ca by January 10, 2020. Please reference “Family Wellness Partner” in the subject line.