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Strengthening Community in Spryfield and District

JOB POSTING

POSITION TITLE: CHILD RESILIENCE CAMP COORDINATOR (CRCC)
CLOSING DATE: Sunday, May 19th, 2017 at **11:59 PM**
START/END DATE: June 26th, 2017 to August 26th, 2017
SALARY: \$21/hour for 35 hours/week for 9 weeks

THIS POSITION IS NOT A SUMMER JOB GRANT AND CANDIDATES NEED **NOT** BE IN/OR RETURNING TO SCHOOL.

Building Resilience in Spryfield Kids (BRISK) is a free weeklong summer day camp that integrates evidence-based anxiety-reduction and resilience building activities, language and practices into camp programming.

POSITION PURPOSE:

As the Co-lead for the day camp, the **Child Resilience Camp Coordinator (CRCC)** is responsible for the comprehensive and successful implementation of the BRISK program as outlined in the BRISK Program Manual. Candidates must be able to balance coordinating details of a seamless day camp, with the front line delivery of activities that promote anxiety-reduction and resilience building.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Preparation and Planning

- Read and study BRISK camp content in Facilitator Guide and other materials to understand philosophies and values and to ensure in-depth familiarity so the integration of coping skills and resilience building is easy and natural for fun inter-active programming.
- Independently research/book out-trips, guest facilitators (in writing).

2. Camp Implementation and Facilitation

- Support parental awareness by providing resources and information to help them support their children's anxiety, strengthen family ties and build a culture of support.
- Facilitate inter-active day camp as outlined in the BRISK Program Manual while being responsive to the needs of participating children by modifying program implementation daily to best serve them.
- Co-Facilitate daily team de-brief to assess/evaluate effectiveness of program/activity implementation.

3. Camp Documentation and Reporting

- Complete daily report outlining the effectiveness of the program.
- Document camper successes and challenges.
- Support the evaluation of program by ensuring effective completion of pre and post-tests.
- Work to refer child/parent/family to additional resources should unaddressed needs be identified.
- Effectively and promptly manage email-outs to children and families (and/or phone follow-ups.)

REQUIRED SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE & ABILITIES

- Knowledge and skills to work with children with anxiety or depression with a focus on mental wellness through positive research-informed activities.
- Ability to work collaboratively in a team environment.
- Physically able to keep up with the activities of the children and to support/participate as needed.
- Ability to supervise, coach, praise, support and provide direction to junior staff and volunteers.
- Strong decision making, problem-solving and analytical skills.
- Excellent communication skills for children, parents, staff team and community.
- Excellent written communication skills, report writing and accuracy in data collection.

QUALITIES AND CHARACTERISTICS

- Patient, understanding and able to convey clear strong boundaries respectfully and calmly.
- At ease and patient engaging in discussion with program participants.
- Able to trouble-shoot and problem-solve ('think-on-your-feet') **independently**.
- Calm reassuring demeanor.
- Intuitive and able to adapt to children in groups and one-on-one.
- Innovative self-starter, capable of contributing toward the evolution of BRISK programming.
- Interested in contributing to the community and the wellbeing of the Spryfield community.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- Degree in Psychology, Social Work, Recreation Therapy, Child and Youth Care and/or comparable.
- Must work successfully in a varied-pace environment with a combination of group facilitation, one-on-one, teamwork and report writing/data intake.
- Experience working with marginalized communities, varied backgrounds and diverse populations.
- Awareness of Social Determinant of Health and conditions that contribute toward emboldening them.
- Effective time management, disciplined self-organization and effectively autonomous.
- Exceptionally organized and detail oriented with coordination skills and ability to multitask.
- Awareness of local community resources and agencies would be considered an asset.
- Previous experience with children with anxiety, depression or social difficulties will be prioritized.

To apply, please send your resume and short cover letter stating why you are interested in this position to: Bonnie Ste-Croix, Executive Director, bonnie@chebuctoconnections.ca by **Sunday, May 19th, 2017 at 11:59 PM** with subject line: **BRISK CHILD RESILIENCE CAMP COORDINATOR (CRCC) APPLICATION.**

Successful Applicants will be required to provide a criminal record check (including Vulnerable Sector Search) before starting employment. Cost will be covered by the organization.

Only those Applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Typically interviews are held within three to four weeks of the closing date.

No phone calls will be accepted.