

# **Foster Care Social Worker**

Government of Yukon -> Health & Social Services - Placement and Support, Foster Homes

Location: Whitehorse, YT Requisition: #17945

Salary: \$78,153 - \$90,228 per annum

Closing date: October 15, 2019

#### Preference will be given to qualified candidates of Aboriginal Ancestry.

Seize this opportunity to support the Department of Health and Social Services and the Family and Children's Services Branch in providing a range of support to foster families and children in care in the Whitehorse area.

Yukon's Department of Health and Social Services aims to promote, protect, and enhance the well-being of Yukon people through a continuum of quality, accessible, and appropriate health and social services.

The Family and Children's Services Branch within the Department of Health and Social Services promotes and develops the capacity of families and communities to care for, and protect, vulnerable children and youth, while supporting healthy child and family development to maximize the potential of every child in Yukon.

The Branch is responsible for territory-wide delivery of services and programs that support positive and healthy outcomes for children, youth and their families.

We are seeking a highly motivated, dynamic, resourceful and results-oriented social worker for the role of **Foster Care Social Worker**. Reporting to the Supervisor, Foster Care and Placement Services, you will provide services under the Authority of the *Child and Family Services Act*. You will be managing a specialized caseload, conducting family assessments, providing counselling, developing foster care plans and delivering foster home program training.

For information about this position, please contact Olive Walsh, Manager – Child Placement Services, at (867) 667-8545 or <a href="mailto:olive.walsh@gov.yk.ca">olive.walsh@gov.yk.ca</a>.

For information about the recruitment process, please contact Anusha Subramanian, Human Resources Consultant, at (867) 332-4681 or <a href="mailto:anusha.subramanian@gov.yk.ca">anusha.subramanian@gov.yk.ca</a>.

#### **Essential Qualifications**

Your resume should clearly demonstrate how you meet the following qualifications – specifically, how your work experiences and related duties align with the essential qualifications shown below:

- Bachelor of Social Work;
- Considerable experience working with children and families in the area of child welfare

and foster care services;

- Experience providing family assessments, counselling and crisis interventions, as well as providing support services to families and children; and
- Experience working in a cross-cultural environment.
- Experience delivering training to adult learners would be an asset.

#### Desired Knowledge, Skills and Suitability

- Ability to conduct comprehensive family assessments;
- Ability to conduct quality of care reviews in foster homes;
- Strong conflict resolution and problem-solving skills;
- Ability to work as part of an interdisciplinary team; and
- Effective oral and written communication skills.

#### **Conditions of Employment:**

- TB screening;
- Vulnerable Sector Security Clearance;
- Valid Class 5 Driver's Licence or equivalent; and
- Verification of post-secondary degree(s).

## Job Requirements:

- Occasional travel within and outside of Yukon;
- Willingness to work extended hours with limited notice, including some weekend or evening work; and
- Exposure to potentially emotional and/or violent clients.

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### **How to Apply**

To apply for the position of Foster Care Social Worker, and for full details on the requirements of the role, please visit: <a href="http://employment.gov.yk.ca">http://employment.gov.yk.ca</a>.

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