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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**PROGRAM AREA:** Child Wellbeing - Social  
**POSITION TITLE:** Youth Wellness Worker  
**DURATION:** 6 Month Term  
**CLOSING:** **OPEN UNTIL FILLED**

### Position Summary:

Wasauksing First Nation is accepting applications for a Youth Wellness Worker. The Youth Wellness Worker will engage youth ages 12-24 years and facilitate a range of evidence-based primary and secondary prevention youth programs and strategies to address risk factors, protective factors, and resiliency; coordinate and/or facilitate youth activities and programs to promote physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellness. The Youth Wellness Worker will work closely with the Social Programming and Wellness Manager and Supervisor, along with the wellness department staff, to support youth engagement. As well the Youth Wellness Worker will be required to provide mental health counselling, case management, support and intervention services to Wasauksing First Nation youth and families. The Youth Wellness Worker will promote the personal, cultural, educational and social development of youth in Wasauksing First Nation. Basic counselling, emotional support and crisis management are other priority services that may be provided by the Youth Wellness Worker.

### Job Duties & Responsibilities:

- Assist youth in identifying individual plans and goals;
- Assist youth in learning more about and/or connecting with cultural practices and traditions;
- Identify and introduce promising and/or best practices that contribute to youth, family and community wellness;
- Develop programming that will support the engagement of high-risk youth who are using substances and/or disconnected from the community by establishing programming to meet needs and interests;
- Establish programming that will focus on strength-based approaches to building resiliency and self-esteem;
- Ensure that youth are engaged and connected to the programming and supports offered.
- Assist youth in assessing outside services where applicable, working with the Social Programming and Wellness Team;
- Keep current on all social concerns and trends, and as required, attend professional development activities in order to remain informed regarding issues
- Affecting youth;
- Actively assist in the ongoing development and review of program plans;
- Collaborate on the planning and implementation of a variety of community events to promote the personal wellness of youth;

based primary prevention workshops,  
programs and/or presentations for youth, parents and community using  
appropriate resources and technology;

- Host meetings and build/strengthen bridges between traditional and mainstream approaches to youth wellness;
- Critically analyze, monitor and evaluate programs and activities.
- Monitor and evaluate progress and adapt wellness plan as required;
- Provide youth crisis intervention counselling as required;
- Prepare clear, concise and accurate monthly reports;
- Develop, implement and/or coordinate a variety of mental health-related healing activities;
- Lead and participate in youth program activities that occur on weekends;
- Perform other duties within the scope of the position as assigned by the Manager Or Supervisor of Social Programming and Wellness;

#### **Education & Experience:**

- A High school diploma or equivalent is required
- A Post-secondary diploma/degree in related program areas is considered an asset
- Possessing Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Certificates would be an asset
- Minimum two years of direct experience working with Indigenous families, youth and children

#### **Other Requirements:**

- Valid Driver's License and reliable personal vehicle
- Willing to work flexible hours as required, including evenings and weekends
- This position requires the individual to work with various families, youth and children. To protect children, youth and vulnerable persons, Wasauksing First Nation requires the individual to provide a vulnerable sector check level 3.

**This position will remain OPEN UNTIL FILLED.**

Please send your resume with a cover letter, contact information and two recent employment references to:

Email: [hadmin@wasauksing.ca](mailto:hadmin@wasauksing.ca)

**Wasauksing First Nation  
P.O. Box 250 Parry Sound, ON P2A 2X4**

**We also Accept Online applications through:  
<https://wasauksing.bamboohr.com/careers>**

*Preference may be given to Indigenous candidates with relevant on reserve employment experience and/or those with knowledge and understanding of the Wasauksing First Nation History and Community.*

*"Only those selected for an interview will be contacted. We wish to thank everyone for their application."*

- Plan, facilitate and/or coordinate evidence-