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ACCS NEWS & ECD RESOURCES

Call for Participation in the BC ACCS 2010 Client Services Questionnaire – Deadline March 1, 2010 - **NEW**

Dear Community Partners,

ACCS is conducting a survey to review and evaluate our resources, training, supports and services to program staff and communities. We would like to know which of the services you are currently using, which services you know about, and how they can better support the early childhood development and child care services to Aboriginal children, parents and early childhood education workers. Filling out this questionnaire is important to our service delivery so we very much appreciate your time! All your responses are confidential and will be combined together with everyone else's in the final evaluation report. *The survey should take no more than 20 minutes.* **Please forward and circulate. We welcome feedback from childcare staff and program managers alike.**

A random draw for three iPod Shuffles (4 GB) will take place on March 1, 2010 so be sure to fill out your telephone and email in Section A so we can notify you if you are one the winners!

[Click here](#) to download [the BC ACCS 2010 Client Services Questionnaire](#) in PDF

[Click here](#) to fill out the BC ACCS 2010 Client Services Questionnaire in Word and email to david@acc-society.bc.ca

Questions? Please call David at (604) 913-9128

Please fax, mail or email the completed questionnaires
asap or no later than March 1, 2010

ATTN David to:

BC Aboriginal Child Care Society

708-100 Park Royal South
West Vancouver, BC V7T 1A2
Fax: (604) 913-9129
david@acc-society.bc.ca

A Healthy Start Baby Poster Series Available from Healthy Start for Mom & Me Manitoba

We (Healthy Start for Mom & Me Manitoba) has developed prenatal and postnatal posters that you may find of interest, and that we are proud of. Each poster series is a set of "art quality" black and white posters 18"x24", with a short key message. Please see click on this link to see every poster in miniature:

www.hsम्म.ca/wp-content/uploads/2008/04/hs_orderformlr.pdf

The women and babies in the posters are former participants and represent several cultural groups.

The postnatal posters relate to infant nurturing and nutrition and feature captivating photographs of babies from our program. The key messages in the prenatal series relate to emotional and physical health in pregnancy.

Due to the overwhelming interest in these posters we make them available to other organizations. You may have seen the posters in Canada (in every province and territory) in hospitals, family resource centres, prenatal nutrition programs, daycares, clinics - and there is even a set in Pakistan. We recently had them translated into French and can now make them available to other populations.

Funds received from poster sales help support our charitable community service organization. We are a pregnancy and parenting community outreach program in Winnipeg funded through the Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program and Healthy Child Manitoba.

Thanks for your time and potential interest. If you wish to communicate with us by email, we can be reached at healthystart@mts.net or call (205) 949-5350.

ADVOCACY NEWS**A Renewed Call for a BC Poverty Reduction Plan**

The BC Aboriginal Child Care Society endorses the new Open letter drafted by the BC Poverty Reduction Coalition (www.bcpovertyreduction.ca) entitled "A Call for BC Poverty Reduction Plan" ([Click here](#) to download). Please consider endorsing this Open letter by emailing Nikki Scott at info@povertyreduction.ca. The deadline for initial sign on to the statement (before we go public) is **Monday March 29**.

Excerpt – A Call for BC Poverty Reduction Plan

We, the undersigned, re-affirm the call for the Government of British Columbia to launch a comprehensive and accountable poverty reduction plan, aimed at dramatically reducing homelessness and poverty in our province. We recommend the following targets and timelines:

*Reduce BC's poverty rate by 30% within four years, and by 75% within 10 years.

* Ensure the poverty rate for children, lone-mother households, single senior women, Aboriginal people, people with disabilities and mental illness, and recent immigrants and refugees likewise declines by 30% in four years, and by 75% in ten years, in recognition that poverty is concentrated in these populations.

* Within two years, ensure that every British Columbian has an income that reaches at least 75% of the poverty line.

* Within two years, ensure no one has to sleep outside, and end all homelessness within eight years (ensuring all homeless people have good quality, appropriate housing).

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There is nothing inevitable about poverty and homelessness in a society as wealthy as ours. Other jurisdictions that are setting clear targets are getting results. A comprehensive approach needs to boost the incomes of those living in poverty, but also build the social infrastructure, public services and assets that are vital to providing a path out of poverty and improving quality of life. If we commit to a bold plan, a dramatic reduction in poverty and homelessness within a few short years is a perfectly achievable goal. ([Click here](#) to download the full letter).

Highlights: BC Representative for Children and Youth, Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond Asks for Plan on Child Poverty at Legislative Assembly, Victoria BC

On January 27, 2010, BC Representative for Children and Youth **Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond** met with the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth to discuss two of her recent reports. Of the report *Housing, Help and Hope: A Better Path for Struggling Families*, she stated:

This case of the infant brought some of the stark realities of the day-to-day lives of young families living in poverty with young children into focus for my office. As I've reported to you before and as I state very strongly in this report, this case led me to make a more urgent focus on poverty in British Columbia, particularly as we looked beyond the individual circumstances of this family and looked more systemically at what is available for families in crisis and families whose children may be removed by the child welfare system, particularly vulnerable families like Aboriginal families.

The Representative noted that she was publicly directed by the Premier to bring the issue of child poverty to the Committee on Children and Youth and consider "to what extent does British Columbia have a response to child poverty, and is it an adequate one?" She further stated:

I know that British Columbia has many programs and strengths around responding to poverty. I'm not suggesting that there are no programs and services that are available to address different aspects of the lives of those who are struggling, but there is not a system. It is not integrated. There are not targets, measures or accountability, nor does it have a dedicated focus on children...

I am recommending that we get a plan in British Columbia, that we have strong, single accountability and a commitment by everyone that it become a non-partisan issue to make progress on reducing child poverty.

I think this committee has an opportunity to take a leadership role in changing lives by addressing a challenge that 105,000 B.C. children face every day. So as representative, I'm asking the committee members to consider passing a resolution to strike a subcommittee on child poverty.

I respectfully submit that the action plan for this subcommittee include a White Paper for public discussion and a quick round of consultations with key stakeholders throughout B.C.

I further respectfully ask you to consider a subcommittee commitment to report to the Legislative Assembly with recommendations for a poverty reduction plan within four months. Time is of the essence on this issue as day to day B.C.'s children and youth struggle in poverty.

Source: www.firstcallbc.org
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The complete transcript of this meeting can be downloaded at:
www.leg.bc.ca/cmt/39thparl/session-1/cay/hansard/Y00127x.htm

The full audio recording of this meeting can be downloaded at:
www.leg.bc.ca/cmt/39thparl/session-1/cay/index.htm

For more information:

The full report of *Housing, Help and Hope: A Better Path for Struggling Families* can be downloaded at:
www.rcybc.ca/Content/Publications/Reports.asp

The 2009 BC Child Poverty Report Card can be downloaded at:
www.firstcall.org

RESEARCH NEWS

StatCan Releases 2006 Aboriginal Population Profiles for Selected Cities and Communities: Prairie Provinces

The Aboriginal Statistics Program released the *2006 Aboriginal Population Profiles for Selected Cities and Communities: Prairie Provinces* (catalogue no. [89-638-X2010003](http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/89-638-x/89-638-x2010003)) yesterday. The *2006 Aboriginal Population Profiles for Selected Cities and Communities: British Columbia* will be released before the end of March.

This product is a series of profiles for a number of census metropolitan areas, census agglomerations and communities across Canada with a large Aboriginal population, either in numbers or share of the area's total population.

The series aims to present a demographic and socio-economic profile of the total Aboriginal population living in these areas. Demographic data as well as information on living arrangements of children, education, labour, income, mobility, housing, and health are highlighted. While most of the focus is on adults, there is also some information provided on children.

Data are presented by Aboriginal group for selected variables, along with comparisons with the non-Aboriginal population. Findings are based on the 2006 Census and the 2006 Aboriginal Peoples Survey.

This product is available via the 'New products' list through *The Daily*.
<http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/89-638-x/89-638-x2010003-eng.htm>

For more information please contact Mikelle Sasakamoose at Mikelle.Sasakamoose@statcan.gc.ca

GRANTS OPPORTUNITIES

First Nations Produce Availability Initiative – Community Gardens Grant for Remote Communities Accepting Applications - **NEW**

The First Nations Produce Availability Initiative is designed **to assist remote First Nations Communities to establish community gardens.**

For the purpose of this Initiative, remote is defined in terms of difficulty in transporting produce into the community. A remote community is one where there are significant transportation barriers such as long stretches of gravel roads that are unsuitable for refrigeration trucks, ferries that frequently are delayed/ cancelled due to storms, infrequent barges without proper refrigeration, or roads that are closed for weeks at a time.

Timeline: Community gardens must be created and growing produce in the 2010 growing season (spring, summer & fall 2010). Please note that emails were circulated previously with an error. **There is NOT an application deadline of March 2nd.** However, since the grants are for growing gardens this season, communities are encouraged to submit applications as soon as possible.

Assistance is available for completing the application forms. Contact **Lesley Dale** at First Nations Agriculture Education Association in Kamloops at **250.314.6804**.

Application form and **guide** will be posted on <http://aesbc.ca/> shortly.

North Shore Community Foundation Now Accepting Grant Applications- **NEW**
North Vancouver, BC – The annual application process for grants from the North Shore Community Foundation is now open. Organizations that serve the North Shore and are either a federally-registered charitable organization in good standing or an educational institution are welcome to apply.

Last year, grants totaling more than \$63,000 were awarded by the North Shore Community Foundation to programs that provide a diverse range of services for children, youth, seniors and the homeless, all on the North Shore. Recipients included the “Cool Moves” program at the Norvan Boys and Girls Club, which encourages fitness and good nutrition for at-risk youth, and the “Hockey Heroes” program run by the Hollyburn Family Services Society.

The North Shore Community Foundation manages \$1.9 million in over 20 trust funds, and uses the income from the funds for the community grants. The Foundation was formed in 1989 and serves the area from Deep Cove to Lions Bay, including Bowen Island.

Application forms are available on the Foundation’s website at www.nscommunityfoundation.com. The deadline is **March 31, 2010**.

For further information contact:

Janet Morningstar, Grants Committee, NSCF
604-925-2638
morningstar123@gmail.com
www.nscommunityfoundation.com

CAREER/TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**Metro Vancouver Urban Aboriginal Strategy Offering Free Workshops for Employees/Volunteers of Aboriginal Organizations- NEW**

Employees/volunteers of Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Organizations are invited to participate in free capacity building workshops sponsored by the Metro Vancouver Urban Aboriginal Strategy Steering Committee at the Native Education College.

The following capacity building workshops will be held throughout the month of March 2010 at the Native Education College:

- March 5, 2010- Effective Fundraising for Non-Profit Organizations by Kristin Kozuback
- March 9 & 23, 2010 – Understanding and Building Cultural Relationships by Gary Johnston
- March 11, 2010 – Financial Fitness by Stewart Anderson (VanCity)
- March 12, 2010 – Non-Profit Communications Planning by Kristin Kozuback
- March 16 & 18, 2010 – Legal Limberness by Mary Childs (Pivot Legal LLP) (this is a 1/2 day workshop)
- March 19, 2010 – Creative Communications for Conflict Resolution by Gael McCool
- March 24 & 25, 2010 – Board Governance for Aboriginal Non-Profit Organizations by Cliff White (this is a 2 day workshop)

How to register: Simply call the Native Education College Admissions at 604-873-3772 ext 328 or email admissions@necvancouver.org

All workshops will be held at the Native Education College- 285 East 5th Avenue, Vancouver BC starting at 9am to noon or 4pm in Room 214.

A free lunch and coffee will be provided at each workshop.

Registration will take place on a first come first serve basis until each workshop is filled. Each workshop will hold up to 15 participants. Therefore, participants are encouraged to sign up ASAP!!!

Free Half-Day Information Session by Statistics Canada on Aboriginal Data, March 12, 2010 in Prince George, BC

Statistics Canada is pleased to offer a free half-day information session in Prince George, March 12, 2010, on the data that are available for First Nations, Métis and Inuit. There will also be opportunities to ask questions as well as a brief demonstration of how to access the extensive free data that are available for Aboriginal peoples from the Statistics Canada website (www.statcan.gc.ca).

Topics include:

- Demographic trends
- Family, language and culture
- Health, housing and well-being

- Education, labour and more

This presentation is offered at no cost. Participants are responsible for their own transportation, accommodations and meal costs. Prior registration is mandatory. Seating is limited and registration is on a first come, first serve basis. To register, contact **Mikelle Sasakamoose** at (604) 666-4996 or email Mikelle.Sasakamoose@statcan.gc.ca

UPCOMING EVENTS

South Island Training Initiative Conference 2010 - Mental Health and Wellness

Date: March 3 and 4, 2010

Location: Queenswood retreat centre, Saanich, BC

Contact: For more information contact Patty Loveridge, Conference Coordinator, SITI Conference, 250-294-0381, email to: info@siticonference.ca website:

www.siticonference.ca

This 2 day SITI conference is for community social service workers.

Fourth National Biennial Conference on Adolescents and Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder *Facing the Future Together: Where Do We Go From Here?*

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 5th, 2010

Please Click [Here](#) to View the Program Brochure

Please Click [Here](#) to Register

Conference Date

April 14-17, 2010

New Conference Location

The Hyatt Regency (655 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 2R7)

Click [here](#) to book a room at a reduced rate of \$189 (double occupancy). The rooms can be shared at only \$95 per person; however, it is your responsibility to find a roommate.

Registration

Please register before March 5th, 2010 to receive the reduced yearly bird rate

Online: Please click [here](#) to complete secure, fast online registration

By Fax: Fax completed registration form to: 604-822-4835

Charge-by-phone: (please have Mastercard or Visa ready):

Toll free within North America: 1-877-328-7744; Other callers: 604-827-3112

By Mail: Please complete the registration form and mail it to the address indicated on the bottom of the form.

Spread the Word

Please forward this information on to your colleagues who would benefit from participating. It would also be greatly appreciated if you would post the course information on your organization's website.

Contact Info

Jo Nam

Phone: (604) 822-2801 Fax: (604) 822-4835

Email: jpinfo@interchange.ubc.ca

Website: www.interprofessional.ubc.ca

"Going for the Gold": MCHP 20th Anniversary Conference

When: March 8th, 9th, 2010

Where: Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg, MB

The Manitoba Centre for Health Policy (MCHP) will celebrate its 20th year in 2010.

*** For more information and to register, please visit:**

http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/medicine/units/mchp/20th_Anniversary_Conference.html

Gathering Our Voices: 2010 Provincial Aboriginal Youth Conference

Date: March 10-13, 2010

Location: Hyatt Regency Hotel, Vancouver BC

EARLY REGISTRATION \$125 UNTIL FEBRUARY 5th, 2010

For every registered group of 5 youth, the 6th registrant is FREE!

ACT FAST AS THIS INCENTIVE IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR EARLY REGISTRATION

REGULAR REGISTRATION \$175 FROM FEBRUARY 6th, 2010 TO EVENT

There must be one (1) chaperon for every five (5) participants 14-17 years of age.

For further information, please contact:

Rosy Steinhauer, Youth Conference Coordinator

BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres

E: rsteinhauer@bcaafc.com P: (250) 388-5522 / 1-800-990-2432 F: (250) 388-5502

The BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres is excited to announce the 8th Annual Provincial Aboriginal Youth Conference Gathering Our Voices will be taking place March 10-13, 2010 in Vancouver, BC. For more information, please visit:

www.bcaafc.com/content/view/54/262/

Poster [Gathering our Voices poster](#)

Engage, Identify, Examine: A Workshop on Participatory Photo Mapping

Date: March 12, 2010

Location: Room 660, Engineering/Computer Science Building (ECS),
University of Victoria, Victoria BC

Registration: Download Registration Request from

www.cyhrnet.ca/cyhrnetevents.php and email to

sbooth@uvic.ca or fax to 250-721-8929.

Contact: Shelly Booth, CYHRNet Executive Director, sbooth@uvic.ca or 250-472-4823

Building on Dr. David Brown's popular PPM presentation at CYHRNet's November 2009 AGM, the network is pleased to offer a PPM workshop which will further explain this integrative tool for documenting and communicating the experience of place to community stakeholders and decision-makers. In this workshop, aimed at health researchers and clinicians engaged in community-based collaborative projects, Dr. Brown will introduce PPM techniques, provide illustrations of its applications and engage participants in discussion about the use of innovated methods in community-based research. *Registration is free for CYHRNet members, but seating is limited.*

JOB POSTINGS

Full Time Head Start Program Advisor Need at the Community Health Associates of BC in Vernon, BC

Head Start Program Advisor 35 hours/week

In cooperation with First Nations Inuit Health (FNIH), the Head Start Program Advisor is responsible for assisting with the ongoing development and implementation of the BC First

Nations Head Start Program. The Head Start Program Advisor will be responsible for providing support and ECD consultation, training and project management. This will be accomplished by effective information sharing activities, linkages and networking, resource development and traveling to First Nations communities to meet one on one with Head Start programs and first Nation leaders/management. CHABC is seeking a team member who is professional, goal driven, team oriented and a positive individual who can work in a supportive, professional environment and have knowledge of the First Nations culture.

Requirements/Qualifications included: Minimum of 5 years ECD management experience, sound understanding of the Aboriginal Head Start On Reserve Program, experience providing program advice or developmental support to First Nations ECD and/or Head Start Programs, ability to work independently and maintain a work-plan to meet deliverables, an ECE certificate or related degree, strong understanding and familiarity with Community Care Provincial Licensing Regulations, ability to provide effective large and small group training, knowledge, skills and abilities to function within a team environment.

Applicants must possess a valid BC Driver License, have a reliable vehicle, and be willing to travel often, have access to an appropriate office facility, and have knowledge and skills in computers, specifically Microsoft Office.

Salary commensurate with years of experience and qualifications, detailed job description available upon request

Apply to: Joanne Tardiff, Executive Director
 #2 3003 29th Avenue Vernon BC V1T 1Y9
 Email: joanne@cha-bc.org or fax to 250-503-1733

Include in your application a cover letter, current resume and copies of credentials; include three (3) employment related references.

Deadline for Applicants: March 1st, 2010 @ 12:00pm

Note: Only those applicants chosen for an interview will be contacted

Full Time Supported Child Development Worker Position at Skidegate Daycare, Haida Gwaii - NEW APPLICATION DEADLINE

Position: Supported Child Development Worker

Location: Skidegate Daycare,
 426 Skidegate Heights,
 Skidegate, Haida Gwaii

Rate of Pay: \$15.00 - \$17.88

Hours: 9 AM to 5 PM, Monday to Friday

Dates: To start as soon as possible. Position ends August 31, 2010

Qualifications:

- * Education Preferred: Early Childhood Education Special Educator and current BC License to Practice as Early Childhood Special Educator or relevant experience in this field
- * Prior Learning Assessment may be applied to other educational or field experience.
- * Experience Preferred: 3 years work experience in inclusive child care settings
- * Criminal Record Check
- * A valid First Aid/ Child safe certificate

- * Medical clearance/immunization status

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities:

- * Ability to develop and maintain a warm, caring, responsive relationship with the child
- * Ability to establish and maintain supportive, collaborative relationships with families and staff
- * Ability to maintain confidentiality
- * Ability to maintain a positive, professional and non-judgmental attitude
- * Physical ability to carry out the duties of the position

Responsibilities

- * As a team member, support children with extra support needs to fully participate in child care settings
- * Contribute to the development and implementation of Individual Service Plans for children that reflect the choices and priorities identified by their parents
- * Support children in speech and language goals
- * Support children in social skills
- * Support children in fine and gross motor skills
- * Work one on one with children to develop specific skills
- * Make referrals as necessary

Please submit your Resume along with:

A cover letter, three letters of reference, First Aid certificate, and License to Practice to:

Lisa Shoop, Education Coordinator
Box 1301 Skidegate, BC V0T 1S1
Tel. 250-559-4496 Fax. 250-559-8247

****EXTENDED DEADLINE** Monday, March 15, 2010 at 4:30pm**

Full-Time Infant/Toddler Early Childhood Educator needed for the 3-5 year old Daycare/Head Start Room at the Snc'c'amla?tn Early Childhood Education Centre, Okanagan Indian Band, Vernon, BC - **INTERVIEWING NEXT WEEK**
For the INFANT/TODDLER Room

MUST HAVE:

- Early Childhood Education Certificate and eligible for License to Practice Infant/Toddler Certificate preferred
- Must have reached 19 years of age
- Current First Aid/CPR
- Experience working with Infants and Toddlers in a group daycare setting
- Ability to work cooperatively and show respect for all other Snc'c'amla?tn staff and programs

Preference may be given to those having knowledge of the Okanagan Indian Band community

Hours of work: Between 7:30 am and 5:30 pm (7.5 hours/day with a one hour unpaid lunch)

May be alternating shifts

Pay \$14.00/hour plus benefit package

Start date: March 1, 2010

A ***Criminal Record Check, Medical Certificate*** and ***References*** are required.

Deadline for Applications: Wednesday, February 24 at noon

Please state position applying for and direct resume and cover letter to:

Okanagan Indian Band
12420 Westside Road
Vernon, B.C.
V1H 2A4
email okibhr@okanagan.org

Phone (250) 542-4328

Fax (250) 542-4990

ONLY THE APPLICANTS WHO ARE SCREENED FOR AN INTERVIEW WILL BE CONTACTED

Full-Time ECE Assistant needed for the 3-5 year old Daycare/Head Start Room at the Snc'c'amala?tn Early Childhood Education Centre, Okanagan Indian Band, Vernon, BC - NEW

MUST HAVE:

- Early Childhood Education Certificate and eligible for License to Practice
- Infant/Toddler Certificate and/or Special Needs Certificate an asset
- Must have reached 19 years of age
- Current First Aid/CPR
- Experience working with 3 to 5 year old children in a group daycare setting
- Ability to work cooperatively and show respect for all other Snc'c'amala?tn staff and programs

Preference may be given to those having knowledge of the Okanagan Indian Band community

Hours of work: Between 7:30 am and 5:30 pm (7.5 hours/day with a one hour unpaid lunch)

May be alternating shifts

Pay \$14.00/hour plus benefit package

Start date: March 15, 2010

A ***Criminal Record Check, Medical Certificate*** and ***References*** are required.

Deadline for Applications: Friday, March 5 at noon

Please state position applying for and direct resume and cover letter to:

Okanagan Indian Band
12420 Westside Road
Vernon, B.C.

V1H 2A4

email okibhr@okanagan.org

Phone (250) 542-4328

Fax (250) 542-4990

ONLY THE APPLICANTS WHO ARE SCREENED FOR AN INTERVIEW WILL BE CONTACTED

Full-Time Senior Early Childhood Educator Needed at Eagles Nest AHS Preschool, Downtown Vancouver, BC - **NEW**

The BC Aboriginal Child Care Society has an opening for **one full time Senior Early Childhood Educator** at Eagles Nest Aboriginal Head Start Preschool. The Sr. ECE is responsible for the leadership, planning, and implementation of a classroom program designed to give each child an opportunity to participate in experiences that will enrich their development in a safe, culturally rich environment. The Sr. ECE will be directly supervising other ECE's and ECE students working in the classroom. The Sr. ECE will supervise the preschool program in accordance with current best practices and ensure that the program meets or exceeds all AHS expectations, licensing regulations and reporting requirements.

Summary of Qualifications

The Senior Early Childhood Educator will have demonstrated ability in:

- Planning and implementing developmentally appropriate activities and experiences.
- Ensuring health and safety for children.
- Encouraging children's learning and development of positive self-concept.
- Using appropriate guiding and caring for groups of children from 2 ½ to 5 years old.
- Maintaining positive communication with parents.
- Working effectively as a member of a team.

In addition, the Senior Early Childhood Educator will have:

- Valid Early Childhood Education Certificate and License to Practice. Post basic certificate an asset.
- Minimum 5 years experience working in a child care setting and with families, supervisory experience will be given preference.
- Strong interpersonal, written and oral communication skills, including computer skills.
- Clear Criminal Records Check conducted under the Criminal Records Review Act.
- Valid first aid training and certificate.
- Working knowledge of the Aboriginal Head Start philosophy and curriculum an asset.

Terms of Employment

- Full time (35 hours per week)
- Start Date: as soon as possible
- Remuneration: negotiable based on experience

Cover Letter & Resume to

Executive Director
 BC Aboriginal Child Care Society
 708 – 100 Park Royal South
 West Vancouver, BC V7T 1A2
 Fax: 604-913-9129

We thank all those who apply. Only those candidates selected for interview will be contacted. Where applicants for a position are equally suitable, preference will be given to the Aboriginal applicant.

Part-Time ECE Supervisor Needed at Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Lower Similkameen Indian Band, Cawston BC - NEW

Position: ECE Supervisor
Status: Part time working into full time
Hours: Negotiable
Wage: Starting at \$14.00, also depends on experience
Location: Tee Pee Tot Daycare
 1930 Cawston/Oliver road,
 Cawston BC

Posting Date: January 19, 2010

Starting Date: April 6, 2010

Closing Date: March 31, 2010

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assists with the preparation of activity programs based on the centre's philosophy and policies. - With the work team, strives to create a happy atmosphere of caring, growth, learning, stimulation, creativity and respect
- Plans, organizes and leads daily activities designed to stimulate intellectual, physical and emotional growth of children, Encourages co-operation and participation.
- Maintains constant supervision of indoor and outdoor play periods.
- Directs and assists children with their everyday needs, in the development of proper eating, resting and toilet habits-
- Prepares daily snack and hot lunch.
- Follows good safety and hygiene practices,
- Encourages open communication with the parents concerning the needs, progress or problems of their children,
- Takes part in training sessions and attends personnel meetings.
- Performs all other related tasks.
- Performs daily maintenance of the centre and seasonal tasks.

Qualifications:

- Diploma or certificate in Early Childhood education
- Valid First Aid Certificate.
- Criminal Record check
- Updated TB test.
- Experience with children.
- 3 reference letters

Application Instructions: Please send cover letter, resume, references and qualification information to:

Diane Stewart
 Box 100 Keremeos, BC
 VOX 1N0
 Email: tpt@lsib.net

Full-Time Infant/Toddler Supervisor Needed at Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Lower Similkameen Indian Band, Cawston BC - NEW

Position: Infant/toddler Supervisor

Status: Full time
Hours: 8:30 – 4:30
Wage: \$16.00 to start, also depends on experience
Location: Tee Pee Tot Daycare
1930 Cawston/Oliver road,
Cawston BC
Posting Date: January 19, 2010
Starting Date: April 6, 2010
Closing Date: March 31, 2010

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assists with the preparation of activity programs based on the centres philosophy and policies.
- With the work team, strives to create a happy atmosphere of caring, growth, teaming, stimulation, creativity and respect
- Plans, organizes, and leads daily activities designed to stimulate intellectual, physical and emotional growth of children. Encourages co-operation and participation.
- Maintains constant supervision of indoor and outdoor play periods.
- Directs and assists children with their everyday needs, in the development of proper eating, resting, and toilet habits.
- Prepares daily snack.
- Follows good safety and hygiene practices.
- Encourages open communication with the parents concerning the need, progress or problems of their children.
- Takes part in training sessions and attend personal meetings.
- Performs all other related tasks.
- Performs daily maintenance of the centre and seasonal tasks.

Qualifications:

- Diploma or certificate in Early Childhood Education and Infant Toddler
- 1 year experience developing and delivering educational children's programs
- Valid First Aid Certificate
- Completes criminal record check
- Updated TB test
- 3 reference letters

Application Instructions: Please send cover letter, resume, references and qualification information to:

Diane Stewart
Box 100 Keremeos, BC
VOX 1N0
Email: tpt@lsib.net

Full-Time Position for Infant & Toddler Early Childhood Educator at the Smuyuq'wa' Lelum Ladybug Lodge, Tsawwassen First Nation, BC - **STILL OPEN**

Smuyuq'wa' Lelum requires a skilled, responsible worker to provide quality, inclusive child care services for young children in a group setting under the direction of the centre's Early Childhood Education Manager.

Scope: Full Time; Monday to Friday

Summary of Duties:

1. Plan, carry out, and assess developmentally appropriate activities and experiences that promote the well-being of each child and that respect and reflect the diverse needs of children.
2. Assist client understanding of intake forms.
3. Individualize the curriculum and ensure that all activities are accessible.
4. Determine specific times during the day when some children may require extra staffing support.
5. Ensure guidance of children's behavior that encourages positive self concept.
6. Ensure the child care environment is healthy and safe for all children.
7. Ensure positive communication with enrolling parents/legal guardians.
8. Contribute to the ongoing operation of the centre.
9. Assist children in expressing themselves by listening and responding with questions or comments that extend conversations.
10. Provide a daily balance of active/quiet, indoor/outdoor and individual/group activities.
11. Use a variety of teaching techniques including modeling, observing, questioning, demonstrating and reinforcing.
12. Set reasonable behavior expectations consistent with the centre's philosophy and policies.

Job Skills and Abilities:

- Ability to multitask & work independently
- Must possess strong interpersonal communication skills
- Plan/participation in Special Events
- Must possess strong organizational skills
- Conduct themselves in a professional manner and maintain strict confidentiality
- Ability to work independently while also a team player
- Must love children

Qualifications/Experience

- A valid Infant and Toddler Early Childhood Education Certificate and licence to practice (in accordance with the *Child Care Regulation*)
- A valid safety oriented first aid certificate
- A Food Safe certificate
- A tuberculosis test
- A criminal record check clearance letter

Please fax or mail resume, a cover letter and two current references to:

Chrystalynn Wilson

1926 Tsawwassen Drive
Tsawwassen BC, V4M 4G2

Fax: 604-943-9226

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Deadline date: Until position filled

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