



## Employment Opportunity

REACH Community Health Centre, Vancouver, BC.

**Position:** Clinical Counsellor/Social Worker

**Positions:** 1 FTE: 1

**Experience/Specialty:** Complex patients, including youth, chronic diseases, frail elderly, mental health and addictions.

**Date:** July 18, 2018

**Duration of Posting:** August 20, 2018, or until filled.

**Compensation:** Commensurate upon experience.

### The Role

REACH is recruiting a full time Clinical Counsellor and /or Social Worker to work collaboratively with the multi-disciplinary REACH care team providing comprehensive primary health care for patients with complex health and social needs. We are seeking an adaptive individual who is able to determine patient and community needs to deliver responsive programming, while creating a culturally safe environment for our community members. Working both independently and collaboratively with individuals, staff, community partners and volunteers, this person will facilitate and deliver a variety of services including but not limited to short-term counseling, group work, system navigation advocacy, education and outreach programming. The person will be part of multi disciplinary team providing care for patients and members of REACH.

### About Us

REACH Community Health Centre is a non-profit, community-governed organization that provides primary health and dental care, health promotion and prevention programs. We are committed to providing inclusive, accessible and sustainable programs and services to support the physical and mental health and well-being of our community and individuals within it. We seek individuals with a passion and commitment towards innovation and an inclusive workplace that respects and values the diversity of every individual.

### Specific Responsibilities

- Develop and engage in outreach and programming with community members and patients.
- Provide brief therapeutic counselling services to clients experiencing problems of an individual, couple or family, systemic or social nature.
- Support clients to develop goals, and provide appropriate client-centered interventions.
- Use various techniques and modalities (CBT, DBT, IPT Narrative, Solution-focused, Expressive Arts, and body movement therapies) to support patient goals and interventions.
- Chart client notes and correspondence within the safeguards of confidentiality.
- Ensure comprehensive treatment by providing information and ongoing consultation with team members.
- Develop, implement and evaluate psycho-educational and support groups and workshops.
- Advocate for and with clients to reduce barriers to accessing community services and programs.

## Qualifications

- Master's degree in Clinical Counseling/ Social Work or equivalent.
- Registration with the BC College of Social Workers or as a Registered Clinical Counsellor.
- Ten years' experience, in a community health setting.
- Thorough knowledge of the BC Standards of Practice for Social Worker/Counseling, relevant legislation, government policies/procedures, social welfare administration, community resources, medical and public health issues.
- Demonstrated ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds, with complex health and mental health needs, in a multicultural environment.
- Comprehensive counseling skills applicable to youth and adults including critical incidents, trauma informed therapy and various modalities of brief therapeutic interventions.
- Demonstrated experience and skills to assess and create treatment plans for high risk factors in youth and adults.
- Demonstrated ability to prepare and maintain a variety of charts, records and reports related to work and to perform all duties with minimal supervision.
- Ability to recognize and deal with emergent situations and exercise reasonable judgment with dealing with clients, families and staff.
- An understanding and a strong commitment to the community and those who have suffered due to colonization and residential schools.
- An understanding and critical analysis of the determinants of health and social factors, such as power and privilege that affect individual, organizational and community health.
- Ability to work independently and collaborate effectively in an interdisciplinary team environment, including understanding the roles of other disciplines.
- Demonstrated ability to deal effectively with conflict situations.
- Ability to organize and prioritize workload in a complex environment.
- Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Basic computer literacy.
- Language relevant to East Vancouver residents an asset.

The successful candidate will need to demonstrate a willingness to participate in REACH's commitment to becoming an inclusive, barrier free community health centre and an ability to work on an interdisciplinary team.

Submit resume to Makiba Brown, Administrative Assistant, by email to [mbrown@reachcentre.bc.ca](mailto:mbrown@reachcentre.bc.ca)

We are grateful for your interest but only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.