

North and West Vancouver Branch 300-1835 Lonsdale Avenue North Vancouver, British Columbia V7M 2J8 Phone: 604.987.6959 Fax: 604.980.0336

# Residential Mental Health Worker - Casual CMHA NORTH AND WEST VANCOUVER

Our vision: Mentally healthy people in a healthy society

Residential Mental Health Workers support and mentor residents living with multiple, chronic health challenges. This involves assisting residents with activities of daily living and coaching in a manner that will maintain and respect the spirit, dignity, inclusivity and individuality of others while building a professional rapport. Primary consideration is given to providing a safe, accessible and inclusive working and living environment for both residential program participants and CMHA employees. The ideal candidate has an understanding of psychosocial rehabilitation.

# **Key Duties and Responsibilities**

- Ensure all residents are accounted for, safety checks upon arrival and departure
- Perform safety checks throughout the shift if needed
- Follow protocols for missing residents
- Set up breakfast and put out coffee before shift ends
- Report any activity during the shift in progress notes and communication log
- Respond to the needs of residents during the shift
- Follow protocol if a resident is under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- Put out garbage, recycling and compost at the curb once per week
- Respond to an emergency or crisis situation
- Check- in and out with other houses
- Assisting residents to achieve their goals in their care plans in order to maintain recovery from mental health and addiction issues and to build their self-esteem.
- Coordinate the delivery of, check for accuracy of and administer medications and treatments in accordance with the CMHA Policy and Procedures.
- Liaise with Community Psychiatric Services or other related mental health, addiction or other government or community supports, as needed.
- Review residential house meetings minutes.
- Adhere to CMHA Health and Safety policies and any other related Health and Safety and Labor Standards, such as the Human Rights Code.
- Perform any other duties as assigned.

#### **Abilities and Values**

- Establish and maintain rapport with residents
- Interact socially with residents
- Observe and recognize changes in residents



North and West Vancouver Branch 300-1835 Lonsdale Avenue North Vancouver, British Columbia V7M 2J8 Phone: 604.987.6959 Fax: 604.980.0336

- Demonstrate strong professional boundaries
- Tolerate frustration and resistance
- Put others at ease and treat others with respect and dignity
- Commit to inclusion and equal opportunity
- Nurture growth and change amongst peers and residents
- Mentor, coach and reflect a practice that lies within an ant-oppression, harm reduction and psychosocial rehabilitation frameworks
- Work independently and in cooperation with others
- Communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing
- Facilitate and participate in conflict resolution process
- Organize and prioritize effectively, with strong attention to detail
- Maintain up to date knowledge of community resources
- Respond to change with openness and flexibility
- Humbly receive constructive feedback

## Qualifications:

- Diploma or Degree in a Social Services or related field, or a combination of education, lived and work experience
- Experience working with people living with disabilities and/ or multiple barriers including poverty, racism, and trauma, non- dominate language, culture, sexuality or identified gender, and mental health and substance use challenges.
- Basic computer and Internet literacy (including MS Word/Excel/Outlook, G-Mail)
- Second language is an asset
- Physical capacity to carry out the duties and operate related equipment
- Valid First Aid Level 1 and CPR
- Food Safe Certificate
- Vulnerable Population Criminal Record Check is a condition of employment

## Hours of Work and Special Considerations:

This is a casual position, working shifts are 7 am - 3 pm, 3 pm - 11 pm and 11 pm- 7 am.

Location: As need at Arborlynn, Lilian or Harold House

Covid-19 Vaccination is required for this role.