

Job Posting

Infant Development Consultant

Infant Development Program

The Simon Fraser Society for Community Living has an opening for a **short term full-time Infant Development Consultant** through to December 2009 for maternity leave coverage*. The Infant Development Consultant will support families who have an infant with a developmental delay, diagnosed disability or who are at-risk for a developmental delay as part of a home-based, early intervention service in the Tri-Cities communities. In collaboration with families, they will develop an individual Support Plan which will encourage the infant's development within the context of their daily routines and resources. Within a family-centred model the Consultant will assist families in acquiring information about infant/child development and community resources as it pertains to their infant/child and family. This service will be delivered as described in the Provincial Manual for Infant Development Programs.

Summary of Qualifications

- A 4 year degree from a university or college of recognized standing in a field related to early childhood development (e.g. education, psychology, child and youth care, therapy, social work).
- An Infant Development Diploma or Certificate is the preferred qualification.
- Enrolment in/completion of the Infant Development/Supported Child Care Consultant Certificate or Diploma may be required as part of ongoing professional development.
- Minimum three years experience working with and facilitating a process of individual planning and service coordination for families of infants/young children with developmental delays and disabilities.
- A high level of understanding with regard to infant/child development and the impact of disability and delay on growth and development.
- Demonstrated understanding of core issues related to life long disability/community living and ability to support families in addressing those issues within a family-centred/directed model.
- Demonstrated practical experience in exercising independent judgment and initiative. Excellent interpersonal and communication skills (written and verbal, including record keeping, reporting, presentation and public speaking) and ability to work as an effective team member.
- Knowledge of and experience working with community agencies and government systems and services, including the health system and the Ministry of Children and Family Development.
- Experience in establishing relationships and working collaboratively with community members and related organizations.
- Experience working with infants and children with developmental delays within a consulting home visiting model is preferred.

Terms of Employment

- Short term, full-time position, (37.5 hours per week, flex-time) to December 2009 due to service transition
- Satisfactory criminal record check
- Valid BC Drivers license and use of personal vehicle
- Medical clearance and declaration of immunization status
- Union membership with BCGEU
- Salary of \$22.18 to \$26.10 per hour (Paraprofessional Grid Level 14)
- Start Date: As soon as possible

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Closing Date: January 30, 2009

**Please note that this position is intended to continue until the end date posted, however the end date could be reduced with two weeks notice depending on notice of the incumbent's intent to return to work.*