

# **Direct Care Worker (Live-In Treatment)**

#### Reporting to:

Live-In Treatment Supervisor

## **Summary:**

Under the leadership of a Live-In Treatment Supervisor, supervise a group of up to eight youth with identified mental health issues and behavioral difficulties in a live-in treatment setting, ensuring their physical, emotional and mental well-being by maintaining a safe environment, developing supportive professional relationships, building on client strengths, promoting growth through teaching and modeling new and/or more effective adaptive skills.

#### Competencies:

- Adaptability adapts and responds to changing conditions, priorities, technologies and requirements including intense and stressful situations
- Client-focused provides superior service to clients including youth and their caregivers
- Communication expresses and transmits information verbally and in writing with consistency and clarity, dealing pleasantly and effectively with a wide range of people of different ages, ethnicities and cultures in potentially emotionally charged situations
- Cultural Sensitivity promotes an inclusive environment
- Problem Solving able to analyze situations, identify key issues, develop and implement practical solutions in complex situations and mitigate safety concerns using the available tools and information to support decisions and solutions
- Professionalism demonstrates professional standards of conduct
- Outcomes Oriented able to focus on desired outcomes using a solution-focused approach
- Teamwork works cooperatively and effectively with others and participates actively in group activities fostering a team environment
- Flexibility; able to respond appropriately to changing working conditions and scheduling

- Create and maintain a normalized living environment that is safe and secure
- Provide consistent structure with reasonable expectations
- Respect and protect the rights of clients, including privacy, dignity, independence, autonomy and selfdetermination and the choice and practice of individual values, beliefs, religion, and cultural practices.
- Maintain appropriate personal boundaries
- Maintain professional appearance, demeanor, and attitude at all times

- Model and encourage the development of adaptive skills including anger management, conflict resolution and problem-solving
- Encourage open communication, listen, encourage, nurture and validate feelings
- Support the implementation of service plans and report progress
- Implement safety plans and de-escalate and contain serious maladaptive behavior to ensure all clients and staff are safe and to limit destruction of property using Understanding and Managing Aggressive Behavior techniques
- · Act as an advocate for youth as necessary
- Dispense medications following proper procedure and reporting requirements
- Support clients and the teacher in the residentially based classroom
- Participate in recreation, craft and social activities which may involve transporting clients
- Record information using logs books, write reports, track petty cash expenditures
- Maintain professional appearance, demeanour, and attitude at all times
- Report any known or suspected incidents of abuse to the proper authorities
- Work cooperatively with collateral agencies
- Perform household duties including grocery shopping, cooking, laundry, minor repairs, decorating with and for clients
- Attend and participate in team meetings, in-service trainings, and professional development opportunities
- Participate in supervision as well as annual performance reviews

- At a minimum, a diploma in a Child and Youth Care, Social Service or Human Services Worker program
  from a provincially recognized college or an equivalent as determined by the agency using the
  OCSWSSW Registered Social Service Worker equivalents.
- Related experience and ability to work with children, youth and their families/caregivers
- Clear police check and vulnerable sector screening
- Valid Class G driver's license with a clean driving abstract
- Valid UMAB, CPR and First Aid Certification

## **Working Conditions:**

- Work hours and schedules set by the Supervisor and as described in the Collective Agreement including days, afternoons, nights, weekends, and statutory holidays
- Perform work in various program settings including the live-in treatment setting, agency vehicle, classroom, or in the community.

- Duties are frequently conducted outdoors during all seasons.
- Use an agency credit card, retaining and submitting receipts
- Drive agency vehicle as necessary
- Maintain certifications in UMAB and Standard First Aid/CPR
- Intermittent physical activity including walking, standing, sitting, lifting, and supporting clients



# **Direct Care Worker (Live-In Treatment, Night Position)**

#### Reporting to:

Live-In Treatment Supervisor

## **Summary:**

Under the leadership of a Live-In Treatment Supervisor, supervise a group of up to eight youth with identified mental health issues and behavioral difficulties in a live-in treatment setting, ensuring their physical, emotional and mental well-being by maintaining a safe environment, developing supportive professional relationships, building on client strengths, promoting growth through teaching and modeling new and/or more effective adaptive skills.

This is an **awake** night position.

## Competencies:

- Adaptability adapts and responds to changing conditions, priorities, technologies and requirements including intense and stressful situations
- Client-focused provides superior service to clients including youth and their caregivers
- Communication expresses and transmits information verbally and in writing with consistency and clarity dealing pleasantly and effectively with a wide range of people of different ages, ethnicities and cultures in potentially emotionally charged situations
- Cultural Sensitivity promotes an inclusive environment
- Problem Solving able to analyze situations, identify key issues, develop and implement practical solutions in complex situations and mitigate safety concerns using the available tools and information to support decisions and solutions
- Professionalism demonstrates professional standards of conduct
- Outcomes Oriented able to focus on desired outcomes using a solution-focused approach
- Teamwork works cooperatively and effectively with others and participates actively in group activities fostering a team environment
- Flexibility; able to respond appropriately to changing working conditions and scheduling

- Create and maintain a normalized living environment that is safe and secure
- Support youth that awaken in the night by providing emotional reassurance and encouraging the use of strategies to help them sleep
- Complete routine bed checks with frequency determined by Supervisor

- Implement service and any safety plans
- Record information using logs books, write reports, track petty cash expenditures
- Maintain professional appearance, demeanour, and attitude at all times
- Maintain and model appropriate personal boundaries with clients
- Act as an advocate for youth when necessary
- De-escalate and contain crisis situations
- Respect and protect the rights of clients, including privacy, dignity, independence, autonomy and selfdetermination and to choose and practice individual values, beliefs, religion, and cultural practices
- Report any known or suspected incidents of abuse to the proper authorities
- Dispense medications following proper procedure and reporting requirements
- Perform household duties including grocery shopping, laundry, minor repairs, decorating with and for clients
- Attend and participate in team meetings, in-service trainings, and professional development opportunities
- Participate in supervision as well as annual performance reviews

- Diploma in Child and Youth, Social Service, Developmental, Human Services Worker program
   preferred or an acceptable equivalent of education specifically a minimum of a secondary school
   graduation certificate and several years of experience working with youth that demonstrates the ability
   to complete the work as described
- Related experience and ability to work with children, youth and their families/caregivers
- Clear police check with vulnerable sector screening
- Valid Class G driver's license with a clean driving abstract
- Valid UMAB, CPR and First Aid Certification

#### **Working Conditions:**

- Work hours and schedules set by the Supervisor and as described in the Collective Agreement including weekends, and statutory holidays
- Drive agency vehicle as necessary
- Maintain certifications in UMAB and Standard First Aid/CPR
- Intermittent physical activity including walking, standing, sitting, lifting, and supporting clients



## **Direct Care Worker - Respite Program**

## Reporting to:

Respite Supervisor

#### **Summary:**

Under the leadership of the Respite Supervisor support youth in a residential respite setting with identified complex special needs and behavioural difficulties, ensuring their physical, emotional and mental well-being by creating a safe environment, developing supportive relationships and providing recreational activities the clients may enjoy.

## Competencies:

- Adaptability adapts and responds to changing conditions, priorities, technologies and requirements including at times, intense and stressful situations
- Client-focused provides superior service to clients including youth and their caregivers
- Communication expresses and transmits information verbally and in writing with consistency and clarity dealing pleasantly and effectively with a wide range of people of different ages, ethnicities and cultures, in potentially emotionally charged situations
- Cultural Sensitivity promotes an inclusive environment
- Problem Solving able to analyze situations, identify key issues. Identify and implement practical solutions in complex situations and mitigate safety concerns using available tools and information to support decisions and solutions
- Professionalism demonstrates professional standards of conduct
- Outcomes Oriented able to focus on desired outcomes using a solution-focused approach
- Teamwork works cooperatively and effectively with others and participates actively in group activities fostering a team environment
- Flexibility able to respond appropriately to changing working conditions and scheduling

- Provide clients with consistent structure and reasonable expectations
- Create and maintain a safe and secure environment
- Implement behavioral and safety plans
- Record information using logs, write reports and track petty cash expenditures
- Maintain professional appearance, demeanour, and attitude at all times

- Maintain and model appropriate personal boundaries with clients
- Act as an advocate for youth when necessary
- De-escalate and contain crisis situations
- Respect and protect the rights of clients, including but not limited to their right to independence, autonomy and self-determination within the context of their safety and their right to choose and practice individual values, beliefs, religion, and cultural practices
- Listen, nurture, validate feelings
- Report any known or suspected incidents of abuse to the proper authorities
- Dispense medications following proper procedure and reporting requirements
- Perform household duties such as grocery shopping, food preparation, cleaning, laundry and minor repairs
- Participate in recreation. craft and social activities which may involve transporting staff and clients
- Meet the day-to-day needs of a variety of clients including full care clients (i.e. toileting, dressing, bathing etc.)
- Perform household duties including grocery shopping, laundry, minor repairs, decorating with and for clients
- Attend and participate in team meetings, in-service trainings, and professional development opportunities
- Participate in supervision as well as annual performance reviews

- Diploma in Child and Youth, Social Service, Developmental, Human Services Worker program
   preferred or an acceptable equivalent of education specifically a minimum of a secondary school
   graduation certificate and several years of experience working with youth that demonstrates the ability
   to complete the work as described
- Related experience working with children and youth with complex special needs
- Clear police check with vulnerable sector screening
- Valid Class G driver's license with a clean driving abstract
- Valid UMAB Certification, CPR and First Aid Certification

## **Working Conditions:**

- Work hours and schedules set by the Supervisor including days, afternoons, nights, weekends, and statutory holidays
- Duties are frequently conducted outdoors during all seasons.
- Drive agency vehicle as necessary. Long periods of driving may be experienced.

- Maintain certifications in UMAB and Standard First Aid/CPR
- Intermittent physical activity including walking, standing, sitting, lifting, and supporting clients



# **Direct Care Worker (Respite Program-Night Position)**

## Reporting to:

Respite Supervisor

#### **Summary:**

Under the leadership of the Respite Supervisor, support youth in a residential respite setting with identified complex special needs and behavioural difficulties ensuring their physical, emotional and mental well-being by creating a safe environment and developing supportive relationships. **This is an awake night position.** 

#### **Competencies:**

- Adaptability adapts and responds to changing conditions, priorities, technologies and requirements including at times, intense and stressful situations
- Client-focused provides superior service to clients including youth and their caregivers
- Communication expresses and transmits information verbally and in writing with consistency and clarity dealing pleasantly and effectively with a wide range of people of different ages, ethnicities and cultures, in potentially emotionally charged situations
- Cultural Sensitivity promotes an inclusive environment
- Problem Solving able to analyze situations, identify key issues. Identify and implement practical solutions in complex situations and mitigate safety concerns using available tools and information to support decisions and solutions
- Professionalism demonstrates professional standards of conduct
- Outcomes Oriented able to focus on desired outcomes using a solution-focused approach
- Teamwork works cooperatively and effectively with others and participates actively in group activities fostering a team environment
- Flexibility able to respond appropriately to changing working conditions and scheduling

- Support clients that awaken at night by providing emotional reassurance, encouraging them to use strategies to help them sleep
- Provide clients with consistent structure and reasonable expectations
- Create and maintain a safe and secure environment
- Implement behavioral and safety plans
- Record information using logs, write reports and track petty cash expenditures
- Maintain professional appearance, demeanour, and attitude at all times

- Maintain and model appropriate personal boundaries with clients
- Act as an advocate for youth when necessary
- De-escalate and contain crisis situations
- Respect and protect the rights of clients, including but not limited to their right to independence, autonomy and self-determination within the context of their safety and their right to choose and practice individual values, beliefs, religion, and cultural practices
- Listen, nurture, validate feelings
- Encourage open communication with youth when discussing issues, problems, or concerns
- Report any known or suspected incidents of abuse to the proper authorities
- Dispense medications following proper procedure and reporting requirements
- Perform household duties such as food preparation, cleaning, laundry and minor repairs
- Meet the day-to-day needs of a variety of clients including full care clients (i.e. toileting, dressing, bathing etc.)
- Remain awake and available to clients during the shift.
- Attend and participate in team meetings, in-service trainings, and professional development opportunities
- Participate in supervision as well as annual performance reviews

- Diploma in Child and Youth, Social Service, Developmental, Human Services Worker program
   preferred or an acceptable equivalent of education specifically a minimum of a secondary school
   graduation certificate and several years of experience working with youth that demonstrates the ability
   to complete the work as described
- Related experience and ability to work with children, youth and their families/caregivers
- Clear police check with vulnerable sector screening
- Valid Class G driver's license with a clean driving abstract
- Valid UMAB, CPR and First Aid Certification

#### **Working Conditions:**

- Work hours and schedules set by the Supervisor and as described in the Collective Agreement including weekends, and statutory holidays
- Drive agency vehicle as necessary
- Maintain certifications in UMAB and Standard First Aid/CPR
- Intermittent physical activity including walking, standing, sitting, lifting, and supporting clients