Harm Reduction Assistant- Miramichi Canada Summer Jobs 2025

Up to 9 weeks, 30 hours per week \$16 an hour

Job Description

The Harm Reduction Assistant (HRA) works under Supervision of the Program Manager (PM) and alongside the Harm Reduction Coordinator.

The Program Manager oversees the coordination and administration of the agency's Harm Reduction Program. It is the role of the HRA to ensure that clients have access to safer drug use and safer sex equipment for the purposes of reducing the spread of HIV, hepatitis C, and other sexually transmitted and blood borne infections, and have access to necessary services.

Although this work is hard to predict, the approximate breakdown of work tasks is as follows:

70% Preparation and distribution of supplies/one-on-one client education

25% Community outreach and engagement

5% Professional development

Requirements:

Community College or University education in Social/Community/Health Sciences. Certifications in Addictions and Mental Health, Trauma-informed care. Experience in this field is considered a strong asset regardless of post-secondary education.

Required attributes:

- A genuine desire to help people
- Enjoys listening to people's stories
- Non-judgemental
- Understands the importance of confidentiality
- Eager to learn new skills
- Ability to work independent

Preferred knowledge and experience:

- Sensitivity to the impact and role of society in issues related to poverty, indigenous and multicultural experiences, sexuality and gender identity, addictions and health
- Working knowledge of relevant community resources in the local region
- Current First Aid Certificate
- Personal experience or work experience of HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, and other STBBIs
- Familiarity with issues around addictions and/or people who use drugs
- Experience in the non-profit sector
- Understanding of trauma informed practice
- Understanding of Harm Reduction

Tasks:

Prepare harm reduction kits
Provide information and distribute supplies to participants
Travel to outreach sites with another member of staff to distribute supplies
Collect data
Other appropriate tasks