



Live the Adventure, Learn its Lessons

JOB DESCRIPTION: Clinical Coordinator

CanAdventure Education is a leading-edge wilderness residential adventure camp program that engages young people in education, cultural awareness, skill development, and personal growth. The company was founded to promote wilderness adventure as an ideal vehicle for recreation, learning and personal growth among young people.

Operating out of a base camp in Sayward, BC, CanAdventure Education runs programs for youth aged 13-19, focusing on specialized programs for struggling teens. Camps include backpacking and kayaking expeditions to Vancouver Island's most inspiring destinations, including the Juan de Fuca Marine Trail, Nootka Island, Cape Scott, Johnstone Strait, and Strathcona Provincial Park.

The program focuses on low- to moderate-risk youth. Clients typically struggle at school, within their family, or within their community. They may have behavioural and substance abuse issues but have agreed to participate in the program prior to attending.

CanAdventure Education is looking for full-time Clinical Coordinator who is responsible, self-motivated and comfortable working with adolescents in a wilderness setting. The Clinical Coordinator is required to work at the Sayward base camp. The position also entails a residential camp leadership component.

CLINICAL COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES:

Clinical Coordinator responsibilities include:

- assisting with screening and interpreting therapeutic issues in camp applications,
- participating in CanAdventure Education programming and providing therapeutic services to participants through individual and group sessions that focus on clinical issues within each camp group. These issues may include substance abuse, family conflict, anger management, promiscuity, sexual or physical abuse, trauma, and/or grief and loss,
- individual treatment planning,
- client assessment and placement recommendations,
- discharge planning,
- aftercare contact with participants,
- clinical supervision support and training of field staff,
- crisis management,
- creating and implementing therapeutic curriculum appropriate for the issues faced by participants,
- promoting and adhering to Policies & Procedures in relation to therapeutic services and personal growth,
- contributing to participant final reports
- planning and leading family counseling sessions during scheduled workshops,
- de-briefing with instructor staff after each camp.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Masters or higher level degree with a focus in clinical counseling,
- Registration with the BC Association of Clinical Counsellors or equivalent professional association,
- Experience working with adolescents and families,

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Specialization in addictions counselling,
- Specialization with family therapy
- Specialization with brief therapy models
- Experience with wilderness therapy,
- Familiarity with experiential education and psycho-education programming,
- Bronze Medallion water rescue certification.
- Extensive outdoor adventure experience,
- Basic First Aid certification, including CPR.

The Clinical Coordinator should have a minimum of five years experience as a clinical counsellor, specializing in at least one of the abovementioned therapeutic areas. Experience working with adolescents is essential and candidates must demonstrate an ability to communicate effectively with youth, families, referral sources, and co-workers. A current driver's license and acceptable driving record are needed and successful candidates will be required to submit a criminal record check.

START DATE:

January 3, 2009

SALARY AND BENEFITS

Annual salary \$42,000 to \$46,000, depending on experience and qualifications;

Performance bonuses for all employees;

In-house paid trainings and external professional development stipend for all employees;

Opportunity to work for a small, innovative company with vibrant colleagues offering genuinely challenging and rewarding work.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Interested parties may forward cover letters and resumes via email to:

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