



Union of Nova Scotia Indians
Job Opportunity
(Full-time Contract Position until March 30, 2021)

Project Coordinator
Mi'kmaw Nation Health Promotion and Cancer Prevention Lead

Mi'kmaq Nation Cancer Care Strategy, Nova Scotia

The Mi'kmaw Cancer Care Strategy will identify specific policy and practice changes that, when implemented, will help prevent cancer, detect it earlier and improve the cancer journey for people from Mi'kmaw communities in Nova Scotia. The Project Coordinator will work with the Project Manager and Health Directors in the development and implementation of a Mi'kmaw Youth Cancer prevention program. Will work with the Project Manager and Strategy Team in identifying and mapping gaps in cancer screening and early detection amongst stakeholder communities. **While working with a steering committee, project manager, and small project team, major tasks of this initiative include:**

- Build collaboration between Mi'kmaw community health teams and IWK/NSHA cancer system staff.
- Make a case to ensure culturally safe and equitable cancer care services for Mi'kmaw community clients.
- Implement a Mi'kmaw Youth healthy living program.
- Design a more culturally safe, trauma-informed and Mi'kmaw community-centered cancer screening/early detection program and build community capacity for support.
- Integrate Mi'kmaw end-of-life journey practices into the cancer care system.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE POSITION

- Work with project manager, steering committee, and stakeholder communities in the development and implementation of a Mi'kmaw youth health living and cancer prevention program.
- Assist in the planning, implementing and analysis of Mi'kmaw community-based cancer care system (prevention, screening) needs assessment, especially for cervical, breast and bowel cancer
- Develop recommendations for improving identified gaps in cancer screening and early detection.
- Assist in the identification of policy and practice changes at multiple levels to improve practices, and confirm agreements for change when possible.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Minimum of an undergraduate degree in health, business, management, education, or social science OR demonstrated experience;
- Strong organizational and effective interpersonal skills. Experience working with a project team;
- Experience in project development and coordination;
- Knowledge of Nova Scotia cancer care system;
- Experience working with Mi'kmaw communities is an asset;
- Ability to speak OR knowledge of the Mi'kmaw language is an asset;
- Preference will be given to First Nation applicants.

Annual Salary: \$60,000 (April 2019 to March 2022)

Closing Date for Applications: MARCH 18 , 2019 AT 4:30PM

*Please EMAIL or DROP OFF your Cover Letter, Resume and list of three (3) professional references (names and contact info) to: **Rachel Paul: rpaul@unsi.ns.ca**

***Please note incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

Offer of employment contingent upon favorable criminal record check and vulnerable sector check.

Only potential candidates considered will be contacted for interviews. Personal suitability will also be considered during the hiring process. UNSI hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified persons to apply; however, qualified Aboriginal applicants will be given priority in accordance with the Aboriginal Employment Preference policy of the Canadian Human Rights Commission.

Disclaimer:

The Union of Nova Scotia Indians reserves the right to refuse any and all applications for employment at any time during the hiring process.