



## **Nuxalk Nation's Nuslhiixwta: EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

<b>Position Title:</b>	Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Key Worker
<b>Classification:</b>	Part time (17.5 hours a week)
<b>Salary:</b>	Based on Experience
<b>Department:</b>	Nuxalk Nation's Nuslhiixwta previously Healthy Beginnings

### **Organization Overview:**

Nuslhiixwta, formerly Healthy Beginnings, is a pregnancy outreach and family and child development centre providing family support work, Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) key worker support, we provide Aboriginal Infant Development Programming, Aboriginal Supported Child Development programming, Speech and Language Assistant support, and Nutrition and Lactation Consulting.

All of Nuslhiixwta's programming focuses on taking a strengths-based approach in supporting families in developing and pursuing their family and child development goals.

### **Job Summary:**

The FASD Key Worker provides community-based, cost-free services to children and youth (to 19 years of age) living with FASD and their caregivers in the Bella Coola Valley. As the FASD Key Worker, you will assist families, professionals, and other service providers in their understanding of FASD by providing education, information and resources. Using a family-centred, strengths-based, culturally sensitive approach you will provide emotional and practical support to families. You will report directly to the Program Manager.

This position will work with the Nuslhiixwta Team to coordinate intervention efforts in collaboration with other team members, as well as external partners.

### **Objectives:**

1. Help families and communities understand the process and the importance of assessment and diagnosis.
2. Supporting families in understanding and implementing the recommendations from the diagnostic team, other professionals, and service providers.
3. Providing information, resources, and suggestions to support the implementation of strategies and activities to meet family identified goals and objectives for their children.

4. Work with parents, family members, caregivers and service providers in identifying ways to adapt the child's environment in response to the individual child's emotional maturity, and his or her executive and adaptive functioning.
5. Planning and facilitation of a bi-weekly Family Peer Support Group.
6. Establish and maintain effective collaborative and constructive liaisons/relationships with a variety of individuals and groups, including families, diagnostic and assessment teams, schools, and other agencies
7. Enhance the understanding of professionals, service providers and the community to raise the awareness of FASD and the risks of consuming alcohol during pregnancy
8. Maintaining on-going, accurate client records, submit monthly statistical data, meeting with Program Manager for clinical supervision and case reviews.
9. Participate in Nushhiixwta programs and community events such as: Family Luncheons, Playtime, Apcwakm Ceremony, Teddy Bear Picnic, Literacy Fair, Preschool Circus, Aboriginal Day, Halloween, Literacy Fair, and other holiday/themed events.

**Qualifications:**

Education/Experience/Certification

- Undergraduate degree in health or human services (social work, nursing, psychology, child and youth care) or equivalent education and experience.
- Experience working with, or assisting, at risk children and families in a First Nation's community setting.
- Understanding of FASD as a brain-based physical disability
- Education, training, or experience in child development.
- Experience providing parent support for parents and caregivers of children and youth with FASD

Personal Qualifications and Other Skills and Knowledge

- Clear Criminal Record Check
- Must have current BC Driver's License and reliable transportation
- Physical requirement, the incumbent must spend a major portion of the work hours standing, walking and have the ability to lift program equipment and supplies for program delivery

Apply now by submitting a cover letter and resume outlining experience and work history to Antoinette Hans, Nushhiixwta's Program Manager or email to: [nushhiixwta.pm@nuxalknation.ca](mailto:nushhiixwta.pm@nuxalknation.ca)

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