

Regional Mental Wellness Coordinators (Saskatchewan)

Permanent Full time

Are you a Regional Mental Wellness Coordinator who is looking to build on your strong track record of assessing mental wellness needs and providing regional support with an opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of Indigenous people within a strengths-based environment?

If so, let's talk!

Organization Description

Thunderbird Partnership Foundation is a national non-profit organization serving First Nations in mental wellness. Our mandate is set by three frameworks:

- 1. Honouring Our Strengths: A Renewed Framework to Address Substance Use Issues Among First Nations in Canada
- 2. Indigenous Wellness Framework
- 3. First Nations Mental Wellness Continuum

Our core stakeholders are First Nations communities and the network of First Nations adult and youth treatment centres. To support the mandate, Thunderbird has two office locations, one based in a First Nations community in southwestern Ontario, and the other in the city of London, Ontario. This position is a remote position.

Your opportunity

- The Regional Mental Wellness Coordinator will establish regional representation to strengthen mental wellness capacity of First Nations across Canada guided by the First Nations Mental Wellness Continuum, Indigenous Wellness Framework and Honouring Our Strengths frameworks.
- You will assess regional needs and evaluate and provide ongoing support.
- You will develop and maintain strong professional relationships with the stakeholders of the region as well as with Thunderbird Partnership Foundation staff and First Peoples Wellness Circle (FPWC) staff.
- You will work on a team with others like yourself who are dedicated to work which has real value and meaning in the lives of others.
- You will apply all your experience, skills, talents, and passion for the benefit of others while learning from the expertise of your wellness focused team.
- You will enjoy the satisfaction that comes from knowing that your work is much more than just a job.

As the Thunderbird Partnership Foundation Regional Mental Wellness Coordinator, you will:

- continuously build understanding of the FNMWC implementation efforts nationally and regionally.
- continuously build understanding of the differing and shared objectives and priorities of Thunderbird
 Partnership Foundation and First Peoples Wellness Circle and apply this knowledge where relevant in
 regional coordination activities.
- provide overall support in increasing capacity in mental wellness to the regional stakeholders through establishing Thunderbird Partnership Foundation and maintaining ongoing work.
- fulfill Thunderbird and FPWC objectives and participate in established regional committees on mental wellness when relevant.
- coordinate a regional mental wellness committee and working groups to assist in the work of enhancing regional mental wellness.



- map regional networks and resources supporting First nations mental wellness services including provincial and territorial services.
- engage relevant regional First Nations entities, networks, and non-profits in creating and maintaining:
 - o standardized curriculum for Addictions Services.
 - o FNMWC core competencies and evaluation.
 - o regional strategies for opioids and methamphetamines.
 - o crisis response planning and intervention.
- support development, implementation and sustainability of research coordination and mental wellness data governance to include the following: substance use health, treatment, harm reduction, trauma, crisis, culture based programming and regional and national training.
- evaluate the needs of the region in consultation with stakeholders and make recommendations.
- maintain systems maps to communicate treatment pathways and manage a regional database of stakeholders and partners.
- build and maintain strong working relationships with stakeholders and assure readiness, quality, and delivery of services.
- participate in local awareness of Thunderbird Partnership Foundation and FPWC.
- ensure effective networking, communication and information sharing between Thunderbird, FPWC and stakeholders.
- ensure alignment to the Thunderbird and FPWC strategic plans, missions, and visions.
- contribute to the implementation of Thunderbird's business plan and prepare comprehensive work plans for work completion.
- assess all assigned projects and coordinate their phases from initiation to completion.
- ensure that all activities planned for the region are implemented and on schedule.
- coordinate meetings with Thunderbird and FPWC personnel and stakeholders as required, keeping everyone involved in progress and changes to project plans.
- prepare meeting agendas, reports, briefing notes and any other accompanying documents for the CEO,
 Board of Directors, stakeholders, and others as required.
- monitor activities within the regions based on allocated funds and ensures expenditures stay within budget.

You bring

- a Master's or Bachelor's in public administration or relevant field of study.
- with MA, 2 years work-related experience and with BA, 4 years of work-related experience.
- excellent writing skills in English and the ability to communicate clearly.
- hands on experience with MS Office.
- proficiency in using Zoom and other platforms as required for hosting online meetings and events.
- experience working with First Nations, or an Indigenous organization.
- fluency in a First Nations language (this is considered an asset).
- knowledge of First Nations culture and customs including natural healing.
- excellent interpersonal and communication skills (verbal and written).
- the ability to work collaboratively with internal teams and external stakeholders.
- the ability to function autonomously with minimal supervision, to be flexible and adaptable to change.
- a high level of professionalism and ability to always maintain confidentiality.
- a strong work ethic and commitment to quality.
- organizational, time-management and multitask skills with the ability to work on multiple assignments in a fast-paced, deadline-oriented environment.
- demonstrated success in working collaboratively with staff, volunteers, board members and stakeholders.
- public speaking and presentation skills along with community engagement and networking.



- the ability to network and build strong working relationships.
- the ability to travel and access worksites not accessible by public transit.

If this sounds like the right fit for you, please email your **resume and cover letter** for confidential consideration to: resumes@nnapf.com

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Closing date: Open until filled.

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If you require accommodation during the recruitment and selection process, please let us know. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted.

To request a full job description, please contact: Annette Howlett at ahowlett@thunderbirdpf.org