Contractor: HR Coordinator (Trauma-Informed Practice)

Closing Date: November 15, 2024

Program:

Victoria Immigrant and Refugee Centre Society (VIRCS) – Organization-wide Support

Reports To:

Executive Director

Contract purpose:

This is a non-staff, independent contract role. The HR Coordinator contractor (Trauma-Informed Specialty) supports human resources across VIRCS, strongly emphasizing trauma-informed practices. This contract is critical in recruitment, staff development, conflict resolution, and fostering a positive workplace culture that prioritizes staff well-being and compassion fatigue prevention, contributing to the organization's mission of supporting immigrants and refugees.

Term of contract:

The contract is expected to deliver 20 hours of service per week, with an hourly rate of \$24 CAN.

The term is from November 16, 2024, to March 31, 2025, with the option to renew based on the positive performance assessment of contracted agreements and funding availability.

A **cleared criminal background check** is particularly relevant for working with vulnerable populations.

Key responsibilities and duties:

As the HR Coordinator contractor (Trauma-Informed Specialty) at VIRCS, you will:

Lead Trauma-Informed HR practices:

- Implement trauma-informed strategies to promote staff well-being and address vicarious trauma and compassion fatigue.
- Manage Recruitment & Onboarding: Coordinate recruitment processes, from job
 postings to interviews, ensuring inclusivity and trauma sensitivity. Guide the onboarding
 of new staff, focusing on creating a welcoming and supportive environment.
- Support Conflict Resolution: Provide trauma-informed conflict resolution, assist staff in addressing challenges, and ensure a harmonious workplace culture.
- Employee Development & Training: Organize staff training on trauma-informed care, anti-racism, de-escalation, and intercultural communication.









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- Policy Implementation: Support the development, revision, and implementation of HR
 policies related to bullying, harassment, sexual misconduct, and staff well-being. Ensure
 compliance with legal and ethical standards.
- Confidentiality & Documentation: Maintain up-to-date, confidential employee records and regularly report on HR metrics, including staff satisfaction and retention rates.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in Human Resources, Psychology, Social Work, or a related field.
- Certification in Trauma-Informed Care or Human Resources is an asset.

Professional experience:

- At least two years of HR experience, preferably in a nonprofit or trauma-informed setting.
- Experience working with diverse cultural groups, including immigrants and refugees, is highly preferred.
- Proven ability in conflict resolution and staff development.

Skills and competencies:

- **Trauma-Informed expertise**: Strong knowledge of trauma-informed care, including strategies for addressing vicarious trauma and staff well-being.
- **Communication skills:** Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to engage empathetically with diverse staff and teams.
- **Organizational skills**: Strong organizational abilities to effectively manage recruitment, training, and policy implementation.
- **Cultural competence**: Commitment to inclusivity and understanding of diverse cultural backgrounds.
- **HR knowledge**: Proficiency in HR Payworks Modules, documentation practices, and legal compliance with Work Safe BC and the Employee Standards Act.
- **Problem-solving**: Ability to resolve conflicts in a sensitive and trauma-informed manner.
- **Ethical standards**: Strong knowledge of ethical standards working in a trauma-informed workplace.

Working conditions:

- **Office environment**: This role is based at VIRCS's office, which supports a multicultural and dynamic environment.
- **Schedule:** The contractor is expected to be available three days per week between the office hours of 8:30 and 4:30.
- Flexibility: Regular office hours with flexibility for occasional meetings or training sessions outside regular hours.
- Inclusive setting: VIRCS fosters a trauma-informed and inclusive workplace, ensuring accessibility and respect for staff diversity.









Physical demands:

- Primarily office-based work involving regular use of computers and attendance at meetings.
- Minimal physical exertion is required, though some walking or travel within the local area may occasionally be necessary for off-site meetings.

How to apply:

- For additional information, please visit https://www.vircs.bc.ca/job-openings.
- We strongly encourage all interested and qualified candidates to apply, regardless of their backgrounds or circumstances. Please be aware that <u>candidates must be legally</u> <u>eligible to work in Canada</u> for the specified duration of the contract to be considered for employment. While we appreciate all applications, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for further consideration.
- Please submit your application, **resume, and cover letter** before 10:00 p.m. Pacific Time on November 15, 2024, to: executivedirector@vircs.bc.ca
- VIRCS is committed to providing accommodations throughout the recruitment process. If you need assistance, please email us at clientservice@vircs.bc.ca.



