New Employment Opportunity with the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT):

Over the next four years, the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) will be hiring 49 new Child and Youth Care Counsellors (CYCC) to be located in communities across the NWT. The CYCC position will play an integral role in supporting children and youth with complex mental health needs, and their families, to live successfully within their home, school and local community.

What is the Position?

The CYCC:

- Provides a range of direct psychotherapeutic services to children and youth with social/emotional/behavioural issues, their families and caregivers.
- Provides mental health, child youth care consultation and educative services to community agencies and other service providers who provide services to children and youth including educators, physicians, nurses, health care workers, community counsellors, community social services workers.
- Provides leadership, facilitation and expertise in the implementation of an integrated, stepped care approach to the delivery of services for children and youth with complex needs and their families by ensuring collaboration and involvement with other services and agencies involved in the provision of care.

Are you the person we are looking for?

Would you like to...

- Make a difference
- Work in a unique and exciting environment
- Work with children and youth in school and community settings
- Work collaboratively with schools and community resources.
- Gain valuable therapeutic experience

Do you possess...

- Knowledge in the delivery of child and youth mental health services including direct, front line service delivery, assessment and treatment planning.
- Knowledge of various approaches to therapy relating to the treatment of
children and youth with mental health and behavioural issues, disorders and addictions.

Understanding of approaches to psychotherapy, including Dialectical Behaviour Therapy, Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, Motivational Interviewing, Solution Focused, etc.

Knowledge of the signs of violence, abuse, mental illness and addictions, as well as current trends and best practices in addressing psychological outcomes.

Awareness of the impacts of colonization and residential schools and to reduce barriers for children youth and their families.

A Masters degree in Child and Youth Care, Counselling, Clinical Social Work or Education with a focus on therapeutic counselling.

...if so, we hope you will consider joining our team!

The GNWT employs approximately 4,700 public servants who provide programs and services for close to 44,000 NWT residents. The size of our workforce allows our employees to champion projects that make a difference in our communities.

The GNWT offers a very competitive salary and great benefits, including a public service pension as well as: leave entitlements, Employee and Family Assistance program (EFAP), Public Service Health Care Plan; dental benefits, and more.

The GNWT is committed to offering employees a safe and dynamic working environment with opportunities to acquire a diverse set of skills; optimal work-life balance; career growth, development and advancement; the chance to work in beautiful, pristine locations and experience the richness of different cultures and traditions.

For further information about this specific CYCC position, please contact:

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Live. Work. Expand Your Opportunities.

Welcome to a land of contrast! The Northwest Territories is 1.35 million square kilometers of mountains, forests and tundra threaded by clean rivers feeding thousands of pristine lakes. Over 40,000 people, from all walks of life, inhabit this rugged natural beauty.

Living amidst one of Canada’s most vibrant indigenous culture, means you’re never far from the energy and excitement that comes from such diversity. Just steps outside our urban centers, you can view rare wildlife, from white wolves and white whales to herds of bison, prowling bears, moose and caribou by the thousands. In the crisp winter months the territory is transformed into a snowcapped wonderland. You can watch the world’s best northern lights dance through the night and spend the day snowmobiling, ice fishing, or tobogganing. In the summer months the land is enveloped in 24-hour daylight while the sun never sets. The great outdoors beckon!

*Come experience the Northwest Territories*

Working in the NWT

Few careers offer the breadth of work and provide the opportunity to do something as truly rewarding as the careers with the Government of the Northwest Territories. Professionally, you’ll work within a health and social service system that is committed to an integrated service delivery model focused on advancing primary healthcare. As part of a team, you will collaborate with health professionals. Personally, you will enjoy one of the most competitive and comprehensive benefits packages in Canada.

As a health and social services professional, the Government of the Northwest Territories encourages you to strive beyond the daily role of your profession. In doing so, you will positively affect countless lives and have the opportunity to make an impact on the advancement of healthcare and social services in the Northwest Territories.

The Northwest Territories is an ideal environment to excel and develop your professional competencies. We support and encourage continual professional development and provide opportunities of expanded scope inherent to Northern practice. When you work in the Northwest Territories you’ll be part of a competent, dedicated and collegial workforce that enjoys a unique lifestyle unmatched anywhere in Canada.

*You’ll feel the difference, the inspiration and the energy the moment you arrive.*

The Place

The Northwest Territories is blessed with an abundance of natural resources, and there is no greater haven for those looking to connect with nature.
The diverse landscape ranges from towering mountains and rolling tundra to seacoasts and boreal forests.

The Northwest Territories’ treasures include several of Canada’s greatest rivers, lakes and National Parks. Rare wildlife roam free, and millions of birds migrate through the Mackenzie Valley. Aboriginal tradition thrives in communities built on a rich fur-trade, exploration and mining heritage. Small and widely scattered, they’re linked by roads, rivers and bush airlines that converge in our bustling capital, Yellowknife.

Unique Lifestyles

Home to a diverse range of cultural activities and adventure!

The Northwest Territories is small in population - but big in land. With a wealth of nature and space, it’s no surprise that the area is great for year-long outdoor adventure.

Northern Activities

The Northwest Territories is home to a wide range of weather and activities. The warm Northern summers are our best kept secret. The days are long - in fact, in some communities the sun doesn’t set for weeks. Given the long summer days, the abundance of natural, unspoiled land, and hundreds of lakes and rivers, the North is the perfect place for outdoor enthusiasts.

Summer activities include:

- Camping