



Job Posting

Peer Support Worker, Gender Diverse and Trans Program

Part-time, Six Month Contract

The Peer Support Worker will have responsibility for providing community and practical support to clients who identify as transgender or gender diverse with an emphasis on facilitating support groups, providing support around pre and post-surgery and delivering community workshops. This position reports to the Manager, Trans and Gender Diverse Program and is based in Barrie, Ontario.

The Gilbert Centre is a registered, not-for-profit, charitable organization that was formed in 1993 as the AIDS Committee of Simcoe County in response to the HIV epidemic in Simcoe County. Since its inception the mandate of the organization has broadened to not only support people living with and affected by HIV, but to also support and celebrate the lives of the LGBTQ communities in Simcoe County and Muskoka Region. Gilbert Centre covers a large catchment area encompassing a significant geographic territory with a mix of small and mid-sized urban environments and rural settings.

Responsibilities:

- Coordinate delivery of community workshops to educate organizations on their responsibilities with regard to providing service to transgender youth;
- Provide community and client pre and post-surgical practical support;
- Collect quantitative and qualitative data for internal and external reporting;
- Collaborate with the Gilbert Centre management and staff on projects and activities that strengthen the Centre's programs and services;
- Perform other duties as required.

Qualifications:

- An understanding of health and social issues and factors relevant to the transgender and gender diverse population, particularly in Simcoe/Muskoka; **and/or transgender lived experience.**
- Experience with facilitating groups or public speaking.
- Formal education in a relevant field of study (social science, health promotion, social work, adult education or any related fields) and/or the equivalent combination of education and work experience is an asset.
- Ability to work independently and on a flexible schedule.
- Excellent computer skills.
- French language proficiency is an asset.
- Superior communication skills, including written and verbal presentation skills, diplomatic and effective liaison and interpersonal skills including proficiency in English.

The Gilbert Centre is an equal opportunity employer. We strive to build an inclusive workforce that reflects the rich diversity of the community in which we live. To this end, we encourage applications from persons living with HIV/HCV, members of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender communities, individuals from



First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities, members of diverse ethno-cultural communities, and persons with dis/abilities.

This position is a part-time (14 hours per week) six-month contract.

Start date February 4, 2019.

Please forward resume and cover letter to Katie Traill, Manager Gender Diverse and Trans Program at katiet@gilbertcentre.ca by noon, **Friday January 25, 2019**. No phone calls please. Only qualified individuals being considered will be contacted for an interview.