

The West Elgin Community Health Centre is currently seeking a:

## Mental Health Crisis Counsellor/Therapist

**CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT  
TO MARCH 31, 2021**

**Up to full-time hours  
(subject to funding)**

### ABOUT US:

The West Elgin Community Health Centre is part of a strong network of community health centres across the province. Together we commit to providing health and social services that are accountable, accessible, efficient and governed by the community.

Our team provides primary health care, illness prevention and health promotion services, as well as a range of community programs primarily to the residents of Dutton Dunwich and West Elgin municipalities. Our diabetes services are open to anyone and are offered at multiple locations in Elgin County.

We believe that housing, education, food and the environment all play a role in health and well-being. We also believe that language, literacy and poverty should not get in the way of receiving great care.

At the West Elgin Community Health Centre, EVERY ONE MATTERS.

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# JOIN OUR TEAM



As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Health Centre has received temporary funding, in partnership with CMHA, to recruit a Mental Health Crisis Counsellor/Therapist. The staff filling this position would address mental health crisis needs of residents within West Elgin County and provide brief intervention and short-term therapy to those affected by the pandemic addressing issues like PTSD, grief and bereavement, stress and anxiety, and other challenges, particularly among the part of the population who are already vulnerable due to existing or anticipated mental health challenges and require an intensive level of support in the short term.

### PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Includes but not limited to:

- \* Pandemic related in-person support to persons in crisis and crisis support line
- \* Pandemic related running of group programs
- \* Provide individual, group counseling and referral services
- \* Work collaboratively with inter-disciplinary teams and community partner agencies to coordinate mental health services
- \* Act as a client advocate on individual and systemic issues
- \* Perform case management functions

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- \* Bachelor or Masters in Social Work or relevant discipline
- \* Current registration with applicable College or Association
- \* Three to five years counseling/therapy experience in a community-based human services organization
- \* Demonstrated proficiency in crisis management skills
- \* Ability to establish and maintain solid community partnerships
- \* Familiar with the unique challenges facing rural populations

### APPLY TODAY!

**Applications accepted until September 8, 2020  
Candidates invited to interview will be contacted**

Send Resume by mail or e-mail to:  
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*The Centre is an equal opportunity employer and all applicants are welcome. We thank all candidates for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Individuals requiring accommodation during the application and/or the interview process should advise the recruitment contact so arrangements can be made.*