



**West Elgin  
Community  
Health Centre**

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Celebrating  
25 years  
1994 - 2019

**JOIN OUR  
TEAM**

## ABOUT US:

The West Elgin Community Health Centre has served our rural communities for nearly 29 years. We work alongside extraordinary people at the Centre. We are very proud to be a part of an alliance of community health centres across the province where we focus on improving the health and wellbeing of people and communities. We continue to value and advocate for a more inclusive society.

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.

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 strive for a healthy and supportive work environment valuing compassion, excellence, collaboration, accountability, respect and equity. Our vision supports a vibrant and caring community, people and workplace and is demonstrated by the Centre's 2021 Healthy Workplace award and 2023 CMHA recognition for workplace mental health initiatives.

### APPLY TODAY!

**Open Until October 20, 2023**

Send resume by mail or e-mail to:  
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<https://wechc.on.ca/>

## Youth Advocate

**12 Month Contract (based on 37.5 hours a week)**

### Primary Responsibilities:

As a member of the Health Promotion team, the Youth Advocate helps to reimagine how the Centre's care and services can improve equitable health and well-being outcomes for youth (ages 10-18) with a focus on supporting the mental health of youth and young families.

This position will connect with the communities' youth to identify, understand, and address issues that are important to young people as well as provide programming, group facilitation, social prescribing and systems navigation. Our Youth Advocate works towards improvement of multiple areas of youth and young family support through advocacy and community action.

### What Do you Bring to the Position?

- \* Post-secondary education in a relevant discipline with significant experience in health promotion, systems navigation, advocacy and/or community action.
- \* A proven approach to working collaboratively with youth (age 10-18), young families, parents, and community partners / resources to ensure access to programs, services, and opportunities.
- \* Experience and/or knowledge of meaningful youth engagement frameworks with excellent programming / group facilitation, presentation and public speaking skills.
- \* Ability to work with people of diverse backgrounds with an inclusive and anti-oppressive lens.
- \* Certificate in suicide prevention (SafeTalk) or suicide intervention (ASIST) training, an asset. Current CPR/First Aid and Food Handling certificates or willingness to obtain.
- \* Ability to travel where public transportation is not available required.
- \* Verification of full Covid-19 vaccination status (minimum 2 doses) or verified medical exemption required.
- \* As we support vulnerable client populations, the successful candidate will submit a vulnerable sector police clearance as a condition of employment.

*The Centre is committed to a respectful, diverse, accessible and inclusive work environment. We encourage and welcome applications from persons with disabilities and a broad range of cultural, ethnic, racial and gender identities and expression. Reasonable accommodation will be provided in all phases of the recruitment process.*