



PARKDALE
QUEEN WEST
Community
Health Centre



Niiwin Wendaanimak Wellness Program (FOUR WINDS) INDIGENOUS PEER LEADER- 3 POSITIONS for the West End Anishnaabe Advisory Council (WEAAC)

Parkdale Queen West Toronto Community Health Centre is a non-profit, community-based health organization committed to improving the health of community members, particularly those at risk for poverty and discrimination. Our multi-disciplinary approach includes the provision of primary health/dental care, counselling, harm reduction, community development, advocacy, and innovative partnerships with other organizations. Parkdale Queen West is a leader in the development of inner-city health services focusing on the needs of homeless and street involved youth, adults, and families. Parkdale Queen West is a pro-choice and 2SLGBTQ+ positive organization committed to employment equity and anti-discrimination.

Program Overview:

The Niiwin Wendaanimak (Four Winds) Indigenous Wellness Program supports people who identify as Indigenous with a focus to support those who are homeless, have experienced homelessness and/or under-housed.

The program is housed at Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre and provides culturally specific programs including access to healing ceremonies, health education, case management supports, access to primary care and harm reduction supports. Programs are run on Tuesdays at the Parkdale Site (1229 Queen Street West – Queen/Dufferin) and on Friday at the Bathurst Site (168 Bathurst Street – Queen/Bathurst).

General Responsibilities:

1. Attend Niiwin Wendaanimak Anishnaabe Advisory Council meetings on a regular basis and prepare in advance of the meeting;
2. Conduct themselves in accordance with the Seven Grandfather Teachings of Love, Respect, Humility, Honesty, Bravery, Truth and Wisdom;
3. Maintain confidentiality & be willing to sign an Oath of Confidentiality.
4. Contribute constructively to the enhancement of services for Anishnaabe people who are homeless and at-risk.

Qualifications & Experience:

- First Nations, Inuit or Métis
- Willingness to work in a harm reduction program (ie. That provides medicines and healing to Indigenous people regardless of where they are at)
- Gets along with people, doesn't judge and willing to learn - accepts the principle of non-interference.
- Volunteer or work experience an asset

This position is up to 1 year with the possibility of extension up to 2 years. Peers will attend monthly meetings for 2 hours per month, attend workshops & planning meetings held throughout the year. (Pay based on two hours monthly will be discussed with applicants)

How to Apply:

Let us know you are interested in applying: talk to Vivian

Send an email or drop a note with your name and how to reach you.

E-Mail: vrecollet@pqwchc.ca or **Call:** Vivian Recollet at 416-703-8482 ext. 2426

Deadline for applications until filled

The successful candidates will demonstrate a willingness to participate in Parkdale Queen West's commitment to becoming a discrimination-free Health Centre and an ability to work interdependently and respectfully in a multi-disciplinary team. Languages other than English are an asset. To better represent the communities we serve, applications from members of Indigenous peoples and 2SLGBTQ+ communities are encouraged to apply. Parkdale Queen West is fully accessible; please advise if you need accommodation in the recruitment process.

We will contact only those people selected for an interview, miigwech

Employment is conditional upon having had a full series (2 doses) of COVID19 vaccinations 14 days before starting employment.