# Job Title: FAMILY SUPPORT CHILD AND YOUTH SUPPORT WORKER

## **SUMMARY**

Reporting to the Family Support Program Coordinator, the FS Support Worker provides children and youth with special needs opportunities to learn basic life and socialization skills by engaging in community outings and recreation activities. The worker will provide intervention, training and/or education and Information and referral to the child/youth and parent/guardian, as appropriate

## **KEY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1. Planning activities and strategies for children with special needs participate in community settings and with other children and youth with special needs, as chosen by parents.
- 2. As determined by the FS Coordinator, conduct observations and complete informal developmental assessments.
- 3. Contribute to the implementation of Individual Service Plans for children that reflect the choices and priorities identified by children and youth, and their parents.
- 4. Participate in ongoing evaluations of plans, goals and objectives.
- 5. Collaborate with others to meet the needs of children and families
- 6. Contribute to the development of inclusive communities.
- 7. Contribute to the effective management and administration of the FS Program.
- 8. Establish and maintain current professional practice, as appropriate.
- 9. Perform all other related duties and tasks as required based on the specific needs of the family, the program and the community.

#### SKILLS/ABILITIES/KNOWLEDGE

- Able to develop and maintain caring, responsive relationships with children and youth with special needs
- Able to establish and maintain supportive, collaborative relationships with families.
- Demonstrated strong knowledge of the needs of children and youth with special needs to experience optimal growth and development
- Well developed time, planning, and organizational abilities

# **QUALIFICATIONS PREFERRED**

- Current First Aid Certificate
- Three years supervised experience working with Children and Youth with special needs

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

This position is required to work in a stressful environment, both within the NICCCS office and on an outreach basis. The ability to function both independently and cooperatively with colleagues is an expectation of this position. The position will be required to work after school, on Pro-D days, during Christmas and Easter break, summer holidays and/or other occasions depending upon the availability of the client.

Delivery of services may require a moderate level of physical fitness i.e. walking, standing bending, lifting to effectively carry out the duties of this position. An approved Criminal Record Check/Vulnerable Sector Check, a valid B.C. driver's license, an acceptable Driver's abstract and safe vehicle (as per NICCCS policy) are required.

I acknowledge that I have receive	ed a copy of my job description and I commit to follow my
duties and responsibilities as defi	ned within it.
Signature	Date