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## **PREGNANCY SUPPORT WORKER (OUTREACH)**

<b>Posting Requisition</b>	22333	<b>Program</b>	<i>Healthiest Babies Possible</i>
<b>Job Type</b>	<i>Temporary, Full-time until August 31, 2024</i>	<b>Location</b>	<i>Surrey, BC</i>
<b>Hours of work</b>	<i>35 hours per week</i>	<b>Closing Date</b>	<i>Open until filled</i>

Options Community Services is a non-profit registered charity providing social services primarily in Surrey, Delta, White Rock and Langley. We believe in helping people help themselves. We believe in collaborating with individuals, businesses, community groups and government to create focused, effective and responsive resources for the community.

Healthiest Babies Possible is a pregnancy outreach program for women of all ages. This position entails supporting women and their families to have a healthy pre and post-natal period, with a focus on nutrition and health, by providing one-to-one home and office visits and facilitating group sessions. This position will involve supporting and facilitating Labor & Delivery classes.

### **ACCOUNTABILITIES**

- Develops rapport and a guiding relationship with clients by explaining program services, and relates to clients in a caring and positive manner which reflects clients' goals and needs.
- Interviews clients to collect health and lifestyle information and assesses educational and support needs.
- Provides clients with educational resources, support, referrals to other community agencies, food supplement vouchers and prenatal vitamin supplements as needed through home or office visits, phone calls and other methods.
- Consults with other professionals in the community, with the consent of clients, to coordinate client care.
- Facilitates HBP groups.
- Takes new referrals (self and third party), screens potential clients for suitability and explains program to clients and to general public.
- Charts all pertinent information in client files in a non-judgmental, objective format as outlined in HBP and OCS Policy and Procedure manuals.
- Attends staff meetings regularly, and other community meetings as requested by Program Manager.
- Consults with program manager regarding caseloads, client status and client service plans.
- Makes recommendations with regard to the development of the program and participates in program evaluations.
- Performs other duties, as assigned.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **Education, Training, and Experience:**

- Bachelor's degree in a related field such as nursing, social work, or public health (or equivalent experience).
- Experience working with pregnant women and families, preferably in a community or outreach setting.
- Experience facilitating childbirth or labour/delivery classes.
- Birth Doula experience is considered an asset.
- Valid First Aid Certificate is required.
- Valid Drivers License is required.

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- Crisis Line Experience as asset.

#### **Skills and Abilities:**

- Demonstrated coaching, counselling and group facilitation skills
- In-depth knowledge regarding pregnancy, birth and postpartum.
- Paraprofessional counseling skills and in-depth knowledge working with at risk families and people with drug and alcohol addictions.
- Strong foundation in health knowledge in relation to pregnancy, birth and infants.
- Knowledge of nutrition, the peri-natal period and infant care.
- Non-judgmental, respectful, positive, supportive and empowering attitude
- Ability to build positive relationships with a diverse clientele
- Strong listening, verbal and written skills
- Demonstrated proficiency in writing case session notes and maintaining client file records to accreditation standards and adhere to agency and program policies and procedures.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to identify sensitive issues and maintain confidentiality
- Must be sensitive to and respectful of cultural and lifestyle diversity
- Must have an appropriate valid Driver's License and reliable vehicle

#### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

- Successful candidates will be required to provide a current and satisfactory Criminal Reference Check / Vulnerable Sector search preceding their start date.

**PLEASE APPLY TO:** Kristina Saito, Senior Manager

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**No phone calls please**

**Please include a cover letter clearly indicating the posting number [posting #22333] and outlining your qualifications and related experience for the position.**