Société Alzheimer Society

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POSITION POSTING

Position Title: SOCIAL WORKER, Caregivers Support Program – Permanent Half-time (35 hourly bi-weekly) LOCATION: 6 Bell Lane, Brantford ON N3T 0C3

We are looking for a highly-skilled **Social Worker** to work in partnership with John Noble Home Day and Stay Program staff. The successful candidate will work with the caregivers of clients in the day program as well as caregivers in the community who are at significant risk for "burnout" and are failing to cope with day-to-day caregiving tasks for persons who have a diagnosis of dementia. The Social Worker will be trained by Mt. Sinai Reitman's Centre to run four 10-week Carers Education program, an evidence-based approach to teaching caregivers how to cope with responsive behaviours in the home. Work hours will be several weekday afternoons (noon to 6 pm) with some weekend work (every other Sunday afternoon) is required. We are committed to diversity in employment and welcome applications from qualified individuals of diverse backgrounds. Alzheimer Society offers a competitive salary range for this role, \$25,990 to \$30,450 based on 910 hours annually.

Specialized Knowledge and Skill Requirements:

- Excellent theoretical knowledge and practiced skills in geriatric psychiatry, geriatric medicine and dementia care
- Demonstrated and extensive knowledge on how to intervene effectively with acute behavioural change
- Demonstrated skills in case management techniques (including identification, consultation and assessment of the high-risk elderly)
- Knowledge of Community Support Services, Primary Health Care and Mental Health systems and related legislation
- Knowledge of consent and capacity issues and legislation related to high-risk elderly (e.g. role of Public Guardian and Trustee, SDM act health care consent act, Mental Health Act)
- Valid Vulnerable Sector Police Check
- Valid Driver's license and access to a vehicle is a must

Other Knowledge Qualifications

- Knowledge of client safety issues and demonstrated capacity to apply client safety practices
- Knowledge of PIECES framework and templates a strong asset
- Proficiency in French language is an asset

Experience Requirements:

• Minimum of 3 years' experience as a Social Worker in a community setting performing both individual and group work with people with dementia and their caregivers or equivalent

Educational Requirements:

- Minimum undergraduate degree in Social Work Additional Education/Certificates Preferred
- Registration with the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers required

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- Current CPR/First Aid certification
- Training in Gentle Persuasive Approaches (GPA)
- Non-Violence Crisis Prevention Intervention training

Interested candidates are asked to submit an email specifying Position Title in the subject line, including a cover letter and resume outlining how their skills meet the requirements of this position to hr@alzda.ca by noon on March 20, 2017.

Only those selected for an interview will be contacted