### STATEMENT OF MERIT CRITERIA

## Social Worker - Addictions / Nurse - Addictions

## ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

## **EDUCATION**

Graduation with a degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in social work.

## OR

Graduation with a degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in nursing.

# **OFFICIAL LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

Various language requirements and linguistic profiles:

- English Essential
- French Essential
- Bilingual Imperative (BBB/BBB, BBC/BBC, BCC/BCC, CBC/CBC, CCC/CCC)

# EXPERIENCE

- Significant\* and recent\*\* experience working in addictions treatment.
- Significant\* and recent\*\* experience working with adult clients in a mental health care setting.

\*Significant experience is defined as experience associated with having performed a broad range of related activities in the field of addictions assessment, treatment planning, and counselling and/or therapy, which could normally be acquired over a period of approximately 3 years. \*\*Recent is defined as being within the last 6 years.

### **KNOWLEDGE**

- Knowledge of substance use disorders and process addictions, its causes and effects, evidence-based models of treatment interventions and their applications.
- Knowledge of concurrent mental health including trauma-informed care.
- Knowledge of crisis intervention techniques.

# ABILITIES

- Ability to assess substance use disorders and suggest a differential diagnosis or concurrent disorder.
- Ability to assess process addictions (e.g. pathological gambling, compulsive sexual behaviour, gaming, etc).
- Ability to provide a broad range of evidence-informed counselling approaches in both individual and group modality based on individual needs.
- Ability to deliver psycho-educational sessions.
- Ability to communicate orally.
- Ability to communicate in writing.

• Ability to work collaboratively as part of an inter-disciplinary team.

# PERSONAL SUITABILITY

- Demonstrating integrity and respect
- Thinking things through
- Working effectively with others
- Showing initiative and being action-oriented
- Judgment
- Reliability

# **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

Security/Reliability: Enhanced Reliability.

Registered in good standing with a provincial social work regulatory college/association in the province where employment is sought.

# OR

Registered in good standing with a provincial nursing regulatory college where employment is sought.

## ASSET QUALIFICATIONS

### **EDUCATION & CERTIFICATION**

- Degree in Addictions studies or in concurrent mental health and addictions at the college or university level.
- Canadian Certified Addiction Counsellor with the Canadian Addiction Counsellors Certification Federation (CACCF): ICADC, CCAC, ICCAC, ICCDPD, ICCDP
- Master's degree in social work with a clinical specialization.
- Master's degree in nursing with a clinical specialization in mental health nursing
- Post graduate certificate in mental health nursing or addictions
- CNA certification in Mental Health Nursing

# EXPERIENCE

- Significant\* and recent\*\* experience in providing therapeutic interventions with couples and/or families.
- Significant\* and recent\*\* experience working collaboratively in an inter-disciplinary environment.
- Experience using electronic applications such as MS Office Suite such as Word, PowerPoint, Outlook.

\*Significant experience is defined as experience associated with having performed a broad range of related activities in the field being assessed, which could normally be acquired over a period of approximately 3 years.

\*\* Recent is defined as being within the last 6 years.

# KNOWLEDGE

Knowledge of the organizational structure and service delivery mandate of the Canadian Forces Health Services.

### **OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- May require overtime on short notice
- May require shift work or variable hours
- May require to provide assessment/counselling through Video-teleconferencing (VTC)

# **ORGANIZATIONAL NEEDS**

In support of achieving a diversified workforce, consideration may be given to candidates self-identifying as belonging to one of the following Employment Equity groups: Aboriginal peoples, Persons with a Disability; Visible Minorities, Women.