



Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

Employment Opportunity

Jordan's Principle

Child & Youth Counsellor

Full-time

About the Role: We are seeking a compassionate and dedicated **Child & Youth Counsellor** to support children and youth through the Jordan's Principle Program at Sioux Valley Dakota Nation. This role provides supportive, non-clinical counselling, mentorship, and skill-building services to help children strengthen emotional regulation, confidence, relationships, and coping skills. Services are delivered in a culturally safe, trauma-informed, and strengths-based manner that reflects Dakota values and community wellness approaches

Key Responsibilities:

- Provide one-on-one supportive counselling and mentorship to children and youth.
- Support emotional regulation, self-esteem, stress management, social skills, and problem-solving.
- Deliver culturally safe, trauma-informed, and strengths-based support.
- Plan and facilitate group programs such as life-skills groups, peer-support circles, and cultural activities.
- Support land-based, recreational, and community wellness programming.
- Work collaboratively with families, schools, clinicians, and community partners.
- Assist in implementing therapeutic recommendations from Clinical Counsellors, SLPs, OTs, or other professionals.
- Participate in case meetings and contribute observations to support planning.
- Provide calm, supportive intervention during emotional or behavioural distress.
- De-escalate challenging situations using non-violent and trauma-informed strategies.
- Maintain session notes, attendance logs, and required documentation.
- Assist with data collection for Jordan's Principle reporting requirements.

Qualifications:

- Diploma or degree in Child & Youth Care, Social Work, Counselling, Psychology, or a related field.
- Experience working with children and youth in a supportive or mentorship role required.
- Experience working in a First Nations or community-based setting is an asset.
- Strong rapport-building and communication skills.
- Knowledge of trauma-informed practice and child development.
- Ability to plan and facilitate group activities and youth programming.
- Cultural humility and understanding of Indigenous wellness approaches.

This opportunity is open to all applicants; however, preference will be given first to citizens of Sioux Valley Dakota Oyate. We thank all those who apply, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. For full Job description, please email hrapapplications@svdngovernance.com to request a copy.



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Submit Cover letter and Resume indicating Competition Number: **202577**

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