



Employment Opportunity - Office of the Child and Youth Advocate/PEI

Advocacy /Investigation Representative

The Child and Youth Advocate is an independent officer of the Legislative Assembly pursuant to the PEI *Child and Youth Advocate Act* with a mandate to promote and protect the rights of children and youth and provide oversight of government funded programs and services to children and youth. Employees of the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate in carrying out functions under the PEI *Child and Youth Advocate Act* that include: individual advocacy, systemic advocacy, youth engagement, public education and promotion of children's rights, child and youth serious injury and death reviews and investigations, and the tabling of public reports.

Position Title: Advocacy/Investigation Representative

Office: Child and Youth Advocate

Job Reference #: OCYA- ADV/INV- 001

Salary Range: \$71,312 - \$89,135

Closing Date: June 11, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.

Responsibilities

Reporting to the Executive Director of the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate, the incumbent is responsible for: providing both individual and systemic advocacy services to the children and youth of PEI in relation to publically funded reviewable services; assuming a central role in the child-rights-based resolution of issues, which are often complex and sensitive in nature; ensuring that advocacy services are provided in a timely fashion and in conformity with the PEI *Child and Youth Advocate Act*, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and office policies and procedures; co-conducting child and youth serious injury and death reviews and investigations; and working respectfully and efficiently, both independently and collaboratively, within a child rights-based team environment.

Requirements

The ideal candidate will have a Bachelor's or graduate degree (preferred) in social sciences or a related discipline (e.g. Social Work, Health Sciences, Psychology, Criminology or Law) from a recognized university, with a minimum of 3 years' experience in a service field that provides direct services to children and youth. Knowledge of child welfare practices, emerging trends, progressive legislative, policy and practice developments provincially, nationally and internationally, the PEI *Child and Youth Advocate Act* and the United Nations Convention the Rights of



the Child is required. Excellent communication skills, both verbal and in writing, as well as progressive engagement with children, youth, family members and stakeholders are required for this position.

Conditions of employment are:

- Legal entitlement to work in Canada;
- a valid Prince Edward Island Driver's License and access to a vehicle, acceptable Driver's Abstract, and a willingness to travel throughout Prince Edward Island;
- a willingness to work on a flexible work schedule including working outside of standard office hours; and
- Satisfactory Criminal Record Check, Vulnerable Sector Record Check and Child Protection Record Check.

Submit your resume

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When applying to this position, please indicate the job reference number and position title in the subject line.

Your cover letter and resume must clearly indicate how you meet the qualifications.

Applicants are required to review and address in your submission the Advocacy / Investigation Representative Job Description available at www.childandyouthadvocatepei.ca.

Please send your cover letter and resume in one attachment, in either Word or PDF format.

We thank all who apply and advise that only those selected for further consideration will be contacted.