Nunavut – Rankin Inlet and Cambridge Bay

Government of Nunavut Employment Opportunity
Registered Midwives
Casual Positions

Rankin Inlet is a community on the Western shore of Hudson Bay in the central Arctic. It has a population of 2,800 people. With easy access to both the tundra and the bay, Rankin Inlet provides an excellent opportunity to explore Canada's unique northern environment. We are host to amazing northern lights, incredible full moon evenings, lots of snow and renowned winter weather. To balance the long winter nights, spring and summer bring almost 24 hours of daylight, migrating birds, caribou and beautiful wildflowers.

The Birthing Center has been providing antenatal, intrapartum and postpartum care to women from Rankin Inlet since 1993. Women from the surrounding 6 communities can also choose to give birth in Rankin Inlet, and midwives travel to other communities in the Kivalliq region to provide prenatal care. Consultation and transfer takes place with obstetricians at the St. Boniface Hospital in Winnipeg.

Cambridge Bay, located on southern Victoria Island, is the regional center for the Kitikmeot communities. Its Inuktitut name means, “fair fishing place.” There is an abundance of wildlife near the community, including musk oxen, and several roads providing great access for hiking and camping.

Midwifery services began in September 2009 and the Birthing Centre opened February 2010, serving low risk women from around the Kitikmeot region. Midwives do outreach services to all the communities and consultation and transfer takes place with obstetricians at the Stanton Hospital in Yellowknife.

Registered Midwives have regular clinic hours and a rotating on-call schedule. Additional responsibilities include attending on emergency medical evacuations, mentoring midwifery students and maternity care workers, developing clinical practice guidelines and liaising with health care providers in other communities.

The candidates we are looking for must be registered with a Canadian College of Midwives or recognized midwifery body or be a graduate from MMBP or PLEA and registered with the Nunavut Midwifery Registration Committee. Ideally, you should have at least 1 full year of clinical midwifery experience. Active certification in CPR, NRP and ESW or ALARM/ALSO is required. Preceptor experience and experience providing midwifery care in a remote area is an asset.

Casual positions are short term.
Knowledge of communities, culture, land and Inuit Qaujimajatugangit is an asset.
Temporarily housing is available for casual staffing.
Registered Midwives are part of the Nunavut Employee’s Union and has a starting salary of $88,881.00 per annum.

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