

Midland Midwives by the Bay

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General Registrant Position Available

***Seeking a ¾- to full-time General Registrant - start date to be determined
Indigenous applicants preferred***

Midland Midwives by the Bay is a small rural practice. Our catchment area is approximately 1300 km² and includes two First Nations (Beausoleil and Wahta). We are seeking a general registrant for a 30-40 BCC caseload on a 12 month contract with possibility of permanency. Midwives share care in a flexible call model which can be negotiated based on the midwives' preference. Start time is flexible, from April 2019 onward. This ad will remain up until the position is filled.

Midland Midwives are based out of our local Community Health Centre, and prioritize service for socially disadvantaged families. We aim to provide exceptional and culturally safe care for the large Indigenous and Francophone populations of the area. As such, **priority will be given to applicants who are Indigenous, and/or those with French language fluency**. The successful candidate will demonstrate a commitment to reducing barriers to health for clients with complex social and health histories. Midland Midwives are committed to client empowerment through social support, education, and informed choice. The typical course of care for this job involves lots of social support (e.g. attending CAS circles, extra home visits for clients without access to transportation). The midwives and our clients benefit from a close relationship to Chigamik Community Health Centre, which provides culturally relevant care and programming for minority groups.

In conjunction with complex social needs of our clients comes a higher level of care. We hold privileges at Georgian Bay General Hospital (Midland: Level 1A) and Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital (Level 2B). We manage epidurals, and oxytocin is a transfer of care. The two hospitals are engaged in a program of shared services through which pregnant clients in Midland are able to access higher-level consultations without leaving their community. We care for a significant number of clients with health concerns such as GDM, hepatitis, and substance addictions. The successful candidate would be expected to participate in community-building through hospital

integration activities and overall practice development. There are many exciting opportunities in the maternity care community here: Chigamik has developed an Indigenous doula collective and is working towards creating an independent Indigenous Midwifery program; and there is support from the local hospital for developing an extended practice model for midwives. Midland Midwives is a new and growing practice, and we welcome candidates with motivation for practice development.

We maintain a home birth rate of approximately 25%. We live on the beautiful shores of Georgian Bay. The region is traditional Wendat and Anishinabe territory, and is currently home to a large and diverse community of Indigenous peoples. There are ample opportunities for outdoor recreation like boating, skiing, or relaxing on the beach, as well as a collection of restaurants, museums, and cultural activities. Midland is approximately 2 hours north of Toronto, and 45 minutes away from Barrie and Wasaga Beach.

We invite all interested midwives to visit our facebook page, as well as Chigamik's website: www.chigamik.ca . If you would like more information, please contact the office 705-527-4154 ext. 216 or email midwives@chigamik.ca