

Midwives at Matraea Seeking Locum beginning late August 2019.

12-18 months, with possibility of extension

Cowichan Valley, Vancouver Island. BC.

Matraea Centre

We are seeking a locum to join our practice to cover a maternity leave beginning mid-late August 2019. The locum will practice in a two-person supportive-solo environment with a typical caseload of four-five due dates per month. Off call time is currently five days a month to facilitate a nice long break and travel, with additional time as needed. As well, due to the solo model, there are many additional days "off." This has been working very well and both midwives feel more balanced and sustained than ever before; but could be negotiated for the right candidate. Compensation will be according to MABC fee guidelines.

We work within a group of four midwives who meet regularly for practice meetings and peer case reviews. The clinic is located in a beautiful heritage building in downtown Duncan and we are co-located with a number of allied services including two naturopaths, counsellors, and an acupuncturist focusing on women's health.

The Cowichan Valley is a wonderful place to practice midwifery. Our clientele is very diverse and includes many indigenous people, newcomers to Canada, and those facing complex challenges. We also care for many people planning lovely home births. No day is the same, and it is wonderful to practice in a location where midwives typically provide maternity services to 60% of all pregnant people in the community. Here, there is no "typical midwife client." Our relationship with consultants and our local hospital team is positive and excellent. The practice has a high home birth and multip rate. Our hospital is considered rural level two, and we have on-call obstetrician and paediatric/GP coverage. We also consult with our local GP maternity clinic.

The Cowichan Valley is a hidden gem. There are many beautiful hiking and biking trails, the ocean, river, and mountains are never far away, and the valley is filled with rolling farmland, wineries and little hidden restaurants. It is easy to get outside, the community is family friendly, and it's possible to be an active and balanced midwife! See: cowichanhigh.com

We welcome all applications, however due to the solo model New Registrants are not eligible to apply. Please send applications to: morrisonliz@gmail.com

Warmly,

Midwives at the Matraea Centre