

POSITION POSTING

Volunteer Indigenous Advisory Committee Member

ABOUT CONNECTIVE

Connective is a community-based non-profit organization working across BC and the Yukon. We provide a range of housing, life-skills, justice, outreach, employment, and community-based services, that match the strengths and needs of those we serve. Our goal is to create safe, healthy, and inclusive communities for all.

We are not an Indigenous-led organization, but many of the people we serve are Indigenous. We recognize the responsibility of providing culturally appropriate services and take this responsibility seriously. This means listening to the wisdom, expertise, and knowledge of Elders, Indigenous Leadership, Knowledge Keepers, Indigenous service users and Indigenous-led community groups to help guide our work.

WHY JOIN?

As a volunteer of our Indigenous Advisory Committee, you will share your knowledge and lived experience with Connective's Board of Directors and staff, to help shape new programs, policies, and procedures. In this unique role, your voice will help ensure our work is respectful, inclusive, and supportive of Indigenous communities and community members.

In the past, the committee has provided guidance on:

- Hiring more Indigenous staff
- Making our spaces more culturally safe
- Offering service users access to Elders and other cultural supports
- Reviewing policies that affect Indigenous service users, staff, and contractors.

WHFRF:

Meetings are virtual, with potential for occasional, voluntary in person meetings

TIME COMMITMENT:

A 1-hour evening meeting, once a month, plus time to review meeting material. TERM: 2-year term with a maximum of 10 years.

We are happy to discuss alternative ways to participate.

OUR VALUES

Inclusive
Accountable
PersonCentered
Collaborative
Determined

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE:

The committee operates as a circle of advisors with a Board
Liaison/Staff Lead to facilitate and guide the group through the agenda
and discussions. Members are appointed by voluntary involvement and
consensus of the group.

WE ENCOURAGE APPLICATIONS FROM THOSE WHO:

- Are knowledgeable of issues impacting Indigenous people who access Connective services, and interested in sharing their experience
- Identify as First Nations, Métis or Inuit. Non-Indigenous members may be considered with relevant experience.
- Have experience (personal or professional) in housing, homelessness, mental or physical heath challenges, or intellectual disability.
- Have experience (personal or professional) in Northern BC, Interior BC,
 Vancouver Island or Yukon.
- Identify as 2SLGBTQIA+.

HOW DO I APPLY?

If you're interested or would like more information please contact, <u>info@connective.ca</u>.

