

Sioux Valley Dakota Nation Employment Opportunity Self Government Advocacy Coordinator Full-Time, Permanent

Position Summary: The philosophy of this position is that a holistic well-being of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation's children, youth and families creates the foundation for healthy community and future generations. Sioux Valley Dakota Nation will be involved in the planning and provision of services and decisions respecting their children, youth and families including by receiving notice in advance of a child and family services provider taking any significant measure in relation to a Sioux Valley Dakota Nation member.

The Advocacy Coordinator may engage with child and family services providers and participating in child and family service matters as set out in provincial, territorial, and federal child and family services laws. The Advocacy Coordinator shall uphold and strengthen the rights of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation in provincial, territorial, and federal child and family services laws. Advocacy Coordinator will ensure Sioux Valley Dakota children, youth and families can meaningfully exercise their rights under the provincial, territorial, and federal laws. The advocate coordinator will ensure that preventive care is prioritized including prenatal and postnatal. The advocate coordinator shall ensure that substantive equality for Sioux Valley Dakota Nation children and youth. The Advocate shall promote and support family unity. The advocate coordinator will ensure that Sioux Valley Dakota Nation children, youth and families maintain a connection to the land, language, cultural practices, and knowledge of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation.

This Individual reports to the Director of Intergovernmental Relations and Implementation.

Position Duties:

- Serving as the main contact between Sioux Valley Dakota Nation and Child and Family Service providers
- Exercising the rights and responsibilities of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation under provincial, territorial, and federal child and family services laws.
- Ensuring that child and family services providers address the real needs of Sioux Valley Dakota Nation's children, youth, and families, including needs tied to culture, land and geography, and the effects of historical and contemporary disadvantages.
- Building and maintaining meaningful cultural, family, and community connections for Sioux Valley Dakota children, youth and families involved with the child and family services system.
- Facilitating the repatriation and/or reunification of children and youth in care with their family and Sioux Valley Dakota Nation.
- Supporting Sioux Valley Dakota Nation children, youth and families involved with the child and family services system wherever they may reside.
- Supporting Sioux Valley Dakota Nation youth and young adults with post-majority support services
- Participating in child and family service administrative and court proceedings
- Accessing legal resources to represent the Sioux Valley Dakota Nation's interests in child and family Services administrative and court proceedings.
- Receiving and responding to notices under provincial, territorial, and federal child and family services laws.
- Helping families access prevention supports
- Supporting customary care, kinship care and alternative arrangements.
- Providing or arranging for alternative dispute resolution circles.
- Monitoring agreements with child and family services providers pertaining to individual children, youth, and families.
- Participating in the development and monitoring of service plans with child and family services providers, for example:
 - > Child, youth, or family care plans
 - Safety planning
 - Permanency planning
 - After care plans
 - Youth transition/post-majority care plans
- Developing and monitoring protocols or service agreements with child and family service providers.



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• Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Valid Manitoba Class 5 Drivers License
- Graduate from a post-secondary institution with experience in a helping profession (social work, counseling, education)
- Some previous experience in Child and Family Services would be an asset
- Knowledge in SVDN self-government
- Understand the traditions, culture, and protocols of the community
- Demonstrate technical/professional expertise
- Ability to lead and be self-motivated while generating creative ideas
- Good knowledge of working with computer technology
- Ability to organize, plan and work as a team
- Strong communication and leadership skills
- Great interpersonal skills to connect with various audiences
- Ability to build partnerships

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Submit Cover letter and Resume indicating Competition Number: Human Resources Department Sioux Valley Dakota Nation P.O. Box 38 Griswold, Manitoba ROM 0S0 Phone: 204-855-2760 Fax: 204-855-2131 Email: hrapplications@svdngovernance.com

We thank all those who apply, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.