

The primary focus of Responsive Children's Supports Ltd. (RCS) is to provide innovative support to children and youth. RCS has several service areas, one of which is Progressive Residential Supports (PRS). PRS is descriptive of the continuum of supports we provide to complex children and youth and their varied support networks. It is reflective of our collaborative efforts to provide these intensive and specialized supports with the ultimate goal of stabilization and the ongoing reduction of supports as these children move along the developmental stages and ultimately onto to adulthood.

Support is individually designed to meet the unique needs of each child (and their family) who are experiencing behavioral, emotional and/or mental health challenges which interfere with their skill development, quality of life, and community inclusion. Support is provided in community based homes with specialized staff. We recognize that some children will need to live without other children in the home and that some children will thrive and grow in a peer roommate situation.

### **Responsibilities**

Children's Support Specialists will provide direct, front-line support to clients in their home or in the community. Depending on the needs of the individual, Children's Support Specialists may be required to provide behavioural supports, emotional supports, personal care, home maintenance (including cooking and laundry), medication administration, support with community activities (including educational classes, volunteer work, leisure and social activities), or other specialized supports as needed. Typical shifts during the week may include evening shifts (2pm-10pm) and overnight shifts (9pm-9am). Typical weekend shifts could include day and evening shifts (9am-3pm, 3pm-9pm or 9am-9pm) and overnight shifts (9pm-9am).

### **Qualifications/Requirements**

- Experience working with developmental disabilities and/or mental health challenges
- Post-Secondary education in a related field preferred (i.e. Human Services, Social Work, Psychology etc.)
- Experience providing behavioural supports to clients
- Experience providing personal care (e.g. assisting with bathing or toileting and personal hygiene)
- Ability to work in a team environment

### **Compensation**

The wage for this position is based on education and experience and ranges from \$17.62-18.38/hour.

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Interested candidates may submit their cover letter and resume to [employment@supportedlifestyles.com](mailto:employment@supportedlifestyles.com) and quote "Children's Support Specialist" in the subject line.

Responsive Children's Supports Ltd. thanks all applicants for their interest however only candidates selected for interview will be contacted