



## INDEPENDENT FIRST NATIONS ALLIANCE

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## **Position Title: Environmental Health Officer**

Location: IFNA Thunder Bay Office

Position Type: Full-time (Term until March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024)

### **Position Summary:**

The Independent First Nations Alliance (IFNA) is looking to hire an Environmental Health Officer based in the city of Thunder Bay. Under the supervision of the Manager, Technical Services, the Environmental Health Officer will protect, promote, and enhance the health of the IFNA communities through Environmental Public Health programs and services.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Implement and conduct public health programs, services, and public health risk assessments.
- Evaluate technical and scientific data information to assess current and future impacts on Public Health.
- Participate in the development of community specific emergency response plans.
- Develop and deliver education material, workshops, presentations, and formal training to First Nations individuals, Chief and Council, and other technical health professionals.
- Liaise, collaborate, and cooperate with First Nations, Federal, Provincial, Municipal, and private industries regarding Environmental Public Health Issues and immediate and potential health hazards.
- Investigate suspected and confirmed communicable and non-communicable disease including outbreaks.
- Perform calibration on specialized testing equipment to sample/monitor air and drinking water quality.
- Provide information, advice, and recommendations for corrective action, prevention, and control measures.
- Catalogue inspection/investigation observations and activities to prepare reports, surveillance, and demonstrate trends to ensure compliance with existing provincial and federal acts, regulations, codes, guidelines, and standards.



- Assist in preparation and development of research proposals, monitoring ongoing progress of projects, and assist with research activities and analysis data.

## **Qualifications & Work Experience**

- Successful completion of Environmental Public Health or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience, as recognized by the Board of Certification of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors.
- Certification in Public Health Inspection as granted by the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors.
- Knowledge of current Environmental Health legislation, policies, and practices.
- Strong negotiation and conflict resolution skills with the ability to make decisions and/or action relating to potential or existing health hazards.
- Ability to read, gather, and interpret research, reports, models, scientific literature, complex analysis etc.
- Experience working with First Nations communities is required.
- Demonstrates strong ethical responsibility and takes the initiative, and is responsive to member needs.
- Excellent stress and time management to handle a multiple number of projects.
- Ability to meet deadlines, be a team player, and truly believe in positive public relations and helping others.
- Frequent travel is required, often using various modes of transportation.
- Required to respond to emergency situations.
- Excellent written and oral skills.
- Valid G class driver's license.
- Knowledge of Indigenous cultural competencies, practices, and traditions will be considered an asset.

**Deadline:** Position will be open until filled.

Salary will be based on a combination of qualifications and experience.

Please forward your resume and cover letter with 3 references to [recruitment@ifna.ca](mailto:recruitment@ifna.ca)

\*Only selected candidates will be interviewed for this position.