

Are you looking for a unique and interesting opportunity; to do more each day; and work with an amazing team? Are you committed to practicing outstanding client centered care and want to be creative to explore opportunities and partnership? Then maybe this is the opportunity for you!

Island Deaf and Hard of Hearing Centre (IDHHC), has served the stunning Westcoast geographic region of Vancouver Island and Gulf Islands for over 30 years and our growing Hearing Health Services is looking for an **Audiologist** to join our **Nanaimo** team. IDHHC is the only non-profit specialized social service agency on Vancouver Island serving the needs of Deaf and hard of hearing individuals and communities. As a member of our staff you will work with other devoted members of the team of professionals who deliver other amazing programs and wrap around services.

As one of four Audiologists in our Hearing Health team you will help deliver the unique and innovative **Sound of Change Initiative**, a program that provides *free* refurbished hearing aids to low-income and vulnerable seniors. Your day as an Audiologist will also include assessing, prescribing, dispensing and fitting new hearing aids and technology and actively partnering in community outreach and education. As a member of our team you will join us in changing health care in BC by being trained in and performing CI assessments with our new partners from the BC Adult Cochlear Implant Program.

We are looking for a passionate hearing health provider who cares about their patients and community and is enthusiastic about working for a great organization with a very real opportunity to improve quality of life and assist individuals on their journey to communicate more effectively.

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Treat clients following bylaws and legislation established by the College of Speech and Hearing Health Professionals of BC (CSHBC).
- Assessment of hearing, which includes identification, evaluation, diagnosis and counselling.
- Intervention for hearing, which includes promotion, prevention, counselling, treatment, consultation, management, (re)habilitation and education.
- Consultation with and referral of clients to other professionals and agencies in order to provide holistic patient-centered care.
- Providing aural (re)habilitation to improve listening and communication skills.
- Able to work as part of a team and / or independently with minimum supervision.
- Assessment, selection, prescribing/recommending, dispensing, validation, verification, servicing of hearing aids and other appropriate hearing assistive and (re)habilitative strategies for

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individuals with hearing loss, auditory processing, tinnitus and/or related disorders. This could include assistive technology such as FM systems.

- Explain the impacts of hearing loss on everyday life and provide direct counselling on the educational, psychological, and social implications of hearing loss to clients, their family, and other individuals on request.
- Knowledge of cochlear implants and other implantable devices would be beneficial.
- Able to communicate effectively using empathy and understanding with a range of people including disadvantaged as well as individuals with various and/or multiple barriers.
- Strong written and interpersonal communication skills.
- Able to navigate rapidly changing demands, prioritize tasks and deal with interruptions.
- Collaborative approach working with others.
- Ability and desire to deliver workshops and educational opportunities in a variety of settings.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Master's degree, or higher, in Audiology from an accredited university program.
- Current membership (or eligible for membership in) the College of Speech and Hearing Health Professionals (CSHBC) and Speech-Language & Audiology Canada (SAC).
- At least one (1) year of experience conducting audiology evaluations on varied client populations.
- Minimum two (2) years' experience (preferred) selecting and fitting hearing aids.

#### **Position:**

- The current placement is for a permanent fulltime employee. Part-time / flexible schedules may be considered.

#### **Closing Details:**

- Please email cover letter and resume to Executive Director at [denise@idhhc.ca](mailto:denise@idhhc.ca)
- Application Deadline: Interviews will begin immediately, and the position will be filled as soon as a suitable candidate is found.

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