

Cancer Coach

About the Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation:

The Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation is committed to increasing cancer survivorship in Eastern Ontario and is the only local charitable organization dedicated exclusively to cancer. Working to fill the gaps in services for cancer patients, the Cancer Foundation has partnered with local hospitals and service providers to ensure residents have the best possible care close to home, shorter wait times, access to the latest research and new therapies and overall improved quality of life – which includes Canada's first Centre for Cancer Survivorship. The Maplesoft offers individual and group coaching with the objective of empowering survivors to be active participants in their health and wellbeing. For more information about the Cancer Foundation, please visit www.ottawacancer.ca.

POSITION SUMMARY:

Professional cancer coaches empower people be active participants in their health and wellbeing. Cancer coaching creates a powerful and effective framework which uses the Member's experience and unique needs as the starting point for providing guidance to enhance quality of life and re-gain a sense of control.

The candidate will be responsible for assessing Members on a case by case basis to ensure their needs and goals are met. This will include; developing customized care/action plans, providing navigation throughout the Member's cancer journey and effectively coach and graduate Members from care to community services providing referrals as necessary.

The candidate will be required to draw on his or her experience as a health care provider and in depth knowledge of cancer care in Eastern Ontario to ensure Member needs, interests and concerns are addressed.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: (include but are not limited to)

- Responsible for assessing cancer survivors that are eligible for enrollment to the coaching program and provide necessary coaching to address their informational, psychological, emotional, spiritual, physical, social, and practical needs
- Encourage adoption of habits that are conducive to a higher quality of life while respecting the members right to be an active participant in his her care plan and lifestyle choices
- Commit to supporting the Foundation's organizational values, philosophy, protocols and policies
- Develop and facilitate cancer related- information, care, treatment, educational, and counseling sessions for a variety of audiences(individual, group, care giver)
- Develop customized care plan for program members including goals and plan of action
- Coordinate care with other health-related professionals for optimal care

QUALIFICATIONS AND KEY COMPETENCIES:

Education: Bachelor's degree or higher in healthcare (nursing, social work, psychology, health promotion, health education, nutrition, other health related). Knowledge of specific cancer and lifestyle related topics such as smoking cessation, weight management, nutrition, stress reduction and chronic conditions and certification from an accredited professional health coach training program preferred.

Professional Affiliation: registration with accrediting body of aforementioned healthcare profession

Experience and knowledge:

- Demonstrated ability to use coaching techniques to help individuals self-identify needs and services that can help address those needs
- Proven professional leadership experience with individuals who have a significant emotional or physical health issue; at a minimum 3 years of direct professional leadership experience
- Demonstrated experience working within a supportive care model providing person focused care
- Proven experience facilitating support groups or individuals
- Demonstrated experience providing navigation and counseling in a community services environment
- Strong client service orientation
- Excellent interpersonal skills as well as strong written and oral communication abilities
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team in a fast paced environment, including ability to work flexible hours
- Knowledge of Regional Cancer Care
- Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite environment and experience with databases
- Fluent in English and French

Working conditions:

Each employee will participate in our orientation training program. This training encompasses many of the issues that are of importance in being part of this community of service. Our culture is a coaching culture that strives to empower members to enhance their own well-being and healing by providing hope, information and support.

We use the individual's experience and needs as the starting point for all coaching, programming and volunteer contact. We fundamentally respect the member's rights to make informed decisions about their own health and well-being.

It is essential that our centre be a warm welcoming "second home" that responds to each member and request with a "yes we can" attitude, an open smile, and a willing heart.

Please submit resume by mail, email or fax to:

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