ADULT COUNSELOR APPLICATION

United Indian Health Services, Inc. (UIHS) thanks you for your interest in our May-Gay-Tolh-Kwe (“a healing place” in the Yurok language) Youth Summer Day Camp 2021, which will be held

- June 28-July 2, 2021 at the Potawot Health Village in Arcata
- July 12-16, 2021 at Resighini Rancheria Community Center in Klamath
- July 19-23, 2021 at the Elk Valley Rancheria Community Center in Crescent City

All staff will be required to arrive at the UIHS day camp location by 8 am Monday – Friday and remain until all campers are picked up daily.

All summer day camp staff is required to attend a leadership training prior to camp. The training will include team-building activities, an overview of the roles/responsibilities of staff, basic first aid training and emergency protocol, and a review of the camp agenda. This will be a chance for summer day camp staff to get acquainted with one another and develop their leadership skills!

May-Gay-Tolh-Kwe Youth Summer Day Camp 2021 will provide safe and positive experiences for American Indian community youth ages 9-11 and 12-17 who are registered with UIHS. Campers will be introduced to local cultural traditions and have the opportunity to participate in many activities that promote and encourage healthy lifestyle choices.

Cultural activities will include necklace making, storytelling, and traditional games. Presentations & activities on health & wellness related topics such as diabetes prevention, self-esteem building, nutrition, recycling and environmental education. Campers will also participate in daily hikes, nature walks, games and various physical activities.

Counselor Application Packet is DUE Monday, June 7, 2021 by 5pm
at the UIHS Potawot Health Village 1600 Weeot Way Arcata, CA 95521
Faxed applications are acceptable (707) 825-5055

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact the UIHS Human Resources Department at (707) 825-5000 or the UIHS Tribal Public Health Division at (707) 825-5070.
UIHS YOUTH SUMMER DAY CAMP
ADULT COUNSELOR JOB DESCRIPTION

REPORTS TO: CAMP COORDINATOR/ DIRECTOR
SUPERVISES: YOUTH COUNSELOR & CAMPERS

GENERAL FUNCTIONS:
Work in conjunction with other adult and peer camp counselors to supervise campers, ages 9-11 years and 12-17 years, and implement duties and responsibilities as assigned by camp coordinators. Utilize skills to motivate and encourage campers to participate in all camp activities and to serve as a positive role model by leading by example and participating in all camp activities.

MAJOR TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
• Be responsible for primary supervision of campers and youth counselors.
• Be a positive role model and demonstrate respect to campers, counselors, staff, elder and guest presenters.
• Participate in all group activities and workshops; this can include physical activity such as hiking and sports.
• Provide assistance to camp coordinators, counselors, and camp guest presenters as requested.
• Demonstrate an open willingness to share traditional and cultural knowledge that motivate campers to participate in workshops and activities.
• Report any inappropriate activity and behavior to the camp coordinator.
• Practice confidentiality.
• Acquaint yourself with counselor roles and responsibilities, emergency protocol, first aid kit, camp agenda, camp boundaries, etc.
• Do not engage in inappropriate behavior such as: profanity, physical violence, verbal abuse and sexual misconduct, consumption or possession of any controlled substance. No tobacco use will be permitted.

MINIMUM JOB REQUIREMENTS:
Must be a high school graduate and at least eighteen years old, by June 25, 2021, must be drug and alcohol free, must possess the ability to work with American Indian youth in group settings. Camping and outdoor experience is preferred. Personal knowledge of local American Indian culture and heritage preferred. Pursuant to Public Law 93-638, preference will be given to persons of American Indian descent.

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NAME_________________________________________________________ DATE:__________________

ADDRESS: ___________________________________________________ GENDER: M / F (circle)

CITY/STATE: _______________________________________________ ZIP ______________

PHONE: ______________________ EMAIL: _________________________________

Will you be 18 yrs old or older as of June 25, 2021? YES/ NO (circle)

SSI #: ______________________ Shirt size: _______________

Tribal Affiliation: _________________________________________________

Please describe any experience you have working with youth:
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Please list any experience with local American Indian cultures that you would be willing to share at camp:
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Please explain why you are interested in working for UIHS Youth Summer Camp:
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What do you expect to be doing in 5 years?
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Which UIHS Summer Day Camps 2021 are you available to work at? Please circle all that apply.

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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

High School: __________________________________________________________

College(s): __________________________________________________________

Please check any activities that you have been involved with:

☐ Recreational and/or school sports
☐ School Clubs and/or Student Organizations
☐ Peer Counseling
☐ UIHS TAG (Teen Advisory Group) or POWER (Peers Offering Wisdom Education & Respect) or other UIHS Youth Group
☐ American Indian Ceremonies and Gatherings
☐ JOM/ Indian Education Programs
☐ Community Involvement (please list & describe below)

Please describe your community involvement and tell us what you learned and/or gained from the experience:

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By signing below, I agree to: Attend and be on time to all functions and activities: cooperate with all staff, counselors and guest presenters; stay away from drugs, alcohol, and tobacco; lead by example by teaching campers to act in a manner that honors their ancestors and traditions as members of the American Indian community.

Applicant Signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________________

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