



## **Employment Opportunity**

### **Speech Language Assistant**

#### **Full time Permanent**

#### **(Position works Sept-June)**

ABC Head Start Society has been committed to promoting and supporting strong children, families and communities in Edmonton for over 30 years. We offer a comprehensive prekindergarten and family support program for vulnerable children and families. Operating in 6 locations across Edmonton, our goal is to prepare children for a successful educational experience in partnership with the family and community. We know that by giving children the best possible early learning and development opportunities in life, we ensure the future well-being and prosperity of our families and communities.

ABC Head Start Society employees are guided by the Spirit of ABC Head Start. Please find more information at: <http://abcheadstart.org/sites/default/files/assets/docs/The%20Spirit%20of%20ABC%20Head%20Start.pdf>

If your professional values align with our agency mission, vision, strategic directions and Spirit please consider joining our team.

In September 2016, we transitioned from a model of site locations having a standardized staff team to a model where resources and services will be allocated and provided responsively to the identified needs of children and families in each program location. Sites have core early learning and family support teams and there is an agency Resource Team whose members are either assigned to program locations based on the needs of children in that location each year or are agency wide resources to be accessed as needed.

The Resource Team includes Speech Language Pathologists, additional early childhood educators, Speech Language Assistants, Occupational Therapist, Therapy Assistant, and a Social Emotional Development Coach. The Resource Team has the capacity to change and develop as the needs of families accessing our program may change.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Conduct articulation and language therapy activities that are based on goals and treatment plans developed by speech-language pathologist
- Maintaining informational records on children's progress and performance during therapy activities
- Provide site team with specific information on children's speech and language development
- Model/discuss strategies and supports as appropriate with early learning site team
- Regularly meet with and report to supervising speech-language pathologist

#### **Qualifications**

#### **Requirements:**

- A diploma (2 year) therapy or rehabilitation assistant training program
- Registration with the Therapy Assistant Association of Alberta
- A clear criminal record check and child intervention check
- Demonstrated knowledge of computer systems Windows and Excel

**Assets:**

- Experience working with pre-school children and their families
- Experience providing classroom based services
- Experience working within an interdisciplinary team environment

**Compensation:** \$20.23-\$24.20 per hour plus 6% vacation pay depend on education and experience. We offer a comprehensive, competitive, extended health benefits package including RRSP contribution and generous vacation benefits.

**Work Location:** To be determined

To apply, email your résumé and a cover letter: [HR@abcheadstart.org](mailto:HR@abcheadstart.org). Please include SLA in the Subject Line of the email.

ABC Head Start thanks applicants for their interest in this opportunity. Candidates considered for the position will be contacted. We are an equal opportunity employer. We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified individuals.

**Closing Date: Until a suitable candidate is found**