Research Assistant Contract Posting #3

[Full Time (beginning in late July or early August) until March 31st, 2016, Possibly Renewable]

The Program Evaluation and Research team at Youth Forensic Psychiatric Services in Burnaby is seeking a full-time Research Assistant to join our team. This contract ends by March 31st, 2016, and may be renewed on April 1st of each year if sufficient funds are available.

In order to apply candidates must:
- have completed a bachelor’s degree in psychology, criminology, or a related field;
- have completed coursework in statistics and research methods;
- have experience (through coursework or otherwise) using spreadsheets (e.g., SPSS, Excel) to enter and/or analyze data;
- be able to use Microsoft Office programs including Word, Excel, Outlook, and PowerPoint.

The successful candidate will:
- coordinate research activities, track progress of other Research Assistants, and communicate regularly with members of the Program Evaluation and Research team, and Program and Support and Administration;
- train new Research Assistants;
- have excellent attention to detail, and be reliable and organized;
- have strong communication skills;
- be energetic, assertive, and able to take initiative;
- participate in committee work, and when appropriate, will chair meetings and take minutes;

Preference may be given to candidates who have:
- a Master’s degree in psychology, criminology, or a related field;
- experience designing and executing research studies and/or conducting program evaluations;
- a strong understanding of statistics;
- experience giving presentations (in class, at conferences, etc.);
- knowledge of Aboriginal issues and/or familiarity with the Aboriginal community;
- experience working in forensic and/or mental health settings;
- knowledge of the Canadian Criminal Justice System;
- university course work in ethics, psychopathology, and/or developmental psychology;
- experience with (or knowledge of) adolescent forensic risk assessment instruments (e.g., the Psychopathy Checklist: Youth Version, the Structured Assessment of Violence Risk in Youth, the Juvenile Sex Offender Assessment Protocol, etc.), and/or the administration, scoring, and interpretation of psychological measures.

This contract will offer a competitive hourly wage, based on experience.

Interested parties should forward copies of their Curriculum Vitae (resume) and university transcripts, along with a cover letter, to Sarah Johnson at Sarah.Johnson@gov.bc.ca. Please indicate that you are responding to Research Assistant Contract Posting #3. Interested parties should also complete the survey located at the following link: https://eSurv.org?s=LNODOG_5266712. Although we appreciate all applications, we will only be able to respond to those individuals who are selected for an interview.