

JOB DESCRIPTION In-Home Activity Specialist

<u>Summary</u>: The In-Home Activity Specialist will provide individuals living with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia the opportunity to participate in a range of activities that are stimulating, therapeutic, and socially engaging in their own home. This service allows caregivers to benefit from a planned period of respite varying from 2 to 4 hours per week.

Reports to: Coordinator of Respite and Stimulation Services

Responsibilities:

- Provide therapeutic stimulation services for individuals with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia in their own home, while allowing caregivers to benefit from a few hours of respite;
- Design personalized therapeutic activities and programs based on the assessment results and needs of the individuals living with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia and their primary caregivers;
- Use a holistic approach, providing activities in keeping with the cultural diversity and interests of the individuals with dementia, as well as their cognitive, physical, or other stimulation needs;
- Serve as a liaison to the families, providing them with information about the Alzheimer Society of Montreal and its services, and directing them to the appropriate contacts at the Society;
- Attend monthly team meetings to discuss caseload and exchange with other in-home activity specialists;
- Submit regular client updates and quarterly written reports to the coordinator;
- Provide regular feedback to the families verbally and via the communication book:
- Maintain an inventory list of the in-home stimulation kit;
- Manage the caseload of clients assigned as well as expense reports and time sheets.

Position Requirements:

- Preferably a graduating student or graduate in Therapeutic Recreation (Bachelor of Arts), Special Care Counselling (DEC), or a related field;
- Bilingual (French and English), a third language is an asset;
- Available to work a minimum of ten (10) to twenty (20) hours per week;
- Able to travel within the island of Montréal (Montreal-East, Montreal-North, West Island, etc.);
- Basic knowledge and understanding of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia;
- Being a creative, responsible, and autonomous individual;
- Knowledge of Excel, Word, Explorer, and Internet;
- PDSB, CPR, and Loi 90 certifications;
- Owning a car is an asset.

Send your resume and cover letter to Raffaela Cavaliere, Coordinator of Respite and Stimulation Services: rcavaliere@alzheimermontreal.ca.

Deadline for applications is **September 18, 2017**.