Request for Proposals

Indigenous Health Literature Populating, Testing and Awareness Campaign

The mission of the Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada (A.N.A.C.) is to improve the health of Aboriginal people by promoting the development and practice of Aboriginal Health Nursing. To achieve this end, the organization has continued to engage in activities related to recruitment and retention, members support, consultation, research and education.

Background: In 2013-14, A.N.A.C. will continue to oversee the populating of appropriate content for the Indigenous Knowing (IK) section of the CNA NurseONE Internet portal. A.N.A.C. has a role in promoting the use of the NurseONE IK by nurses who are working in Aboriginal health and Aboriginal health nursing. This project specifically attends to the needs of nurses working in Aboriginal communities. A.N.A.C. is working in collaboration with the CNA and the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch (Health Canada) on this project.

Purpose: This project will identify issues related to utilizing the Indigenous Knowing section of NurseONE and inform in the basis for an awareness campaign to promote this Internet resource for nurses working with Aboriginal people. By supporting nurses working in Aboriginal Health, A.N.A.C. is promoting the recruitment and retention of nursing staff working with Aboriginal people, and improving quality client care. A.N.A.C. is co-organizing an education and training forum in which the testing is expected to be completed. An advisory group comprised of A.N.A.C. members and partners from across Canada is instrumental to the process and success of this work.

Statement of work:
1. Develop a methodology & investigative tools that are suitable to meet the project objectives; gather data and analyze findings.
2. Complete the following:
   i. Develop an in-person process for identifying barriers to utilizing NurseONE IK by Aboriginal nurses and nurses working with Aboriginal people.
   ii. Identify Aboriginal authors interested in submitting their published work for inclusion in NurseONE IK.
   iii. Develop policies and procedures for identifying and selecting useful and relevant publications for NurseONE IK.
3. Ability to conduct in-person assessment of navigating and obtaining information from an Internet portal is essential.
4. Submit the following before March 31, 2014:
   i. Final report that includes Executive Summary, Introduction, Methodology, Findings, Summary, Recommendations, and Appendices.
   ii. Findings regarding interested Aboriginal authors.
   iii. Policies and procedures.

Suggested Budget: Project budget maximum is $6,000 inclusive of GST/HST. Travel and accommodations to conduct in-person data collection and training session are covered by A.N.A.C.

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