



Certified Hakomi Therapist

Renfrew Educational Services is a not-for-profit, registered charity operating as an independent school. We are an acknowledged leader in program development for students with disabilities. For 52 years Renfrew has offered a wide range of programs and services to children and youth from Calgary and surrounding areas. Renfrew Educational Services is committed to providing inclusive and supportive educational environments for all children and youth. Our mission is to empower children and youth with disabilities to reach their full potential through tailored educational programs and compassionate teaching. Please refer to the Renfrew Educational Services webpage: <http://www.renfreweducation.org> under the 'Services & Programs' for more information about the programs and services that Renfrew provides.

We are currently accepting applications for a permanent part-time (0.2 FTE) **Certified Hakomi Therapist** to join our team immediately to support the various programs in our agency. Please note the annual schedule is 10.25 months ending June 30, 2026 this school year. We resume programming on August 25, 2026.

The ideal candidate will have experience in Hakomi Method and understanding of core principles such as mindfulness, non-violence, body-mind integration, and unity & organicity.

We Offer:

- Competitive salary and benefits package, including RRSP matching.
- Professional development and growth opportunities.
- Safe, supportive and collaborative work environment.
- Excellent mentorship and leadership
- Opportunity to make a meaningful impact on the lives of children and youth with disabilities and their families.

Key Responsibilities:

- Work in collaboration with a multidisciplinary team to plan and carry out programs.
- Enable and support learning for the youth and child and family members in the school, home and community.
- Develop treatment goals to assist in determining therapeutic progress.
- Review therapeutic interventions with parents and staff on a regular basis.
- Supporting parents through parenting concerns and challenges, offering resources and strategies from a trauma-informed and strength-based perspective, and focused on parenting skills, decreasing risk factors, increasing protective factors and functional capacity.
- Documentation/record keeping: record observations/complete progress notes, document direct/indirect time, write service summary reports or assessment reports, summarize recommendations and monthly kilometers
- Reports and other client documentation.
- Service planning and goal setting.
- Client advocacy and follow-up services with other organizations/health care providers.
- Consult with funders, partners in the community (as needed).

Hakomi Method:

- Ability to apply Hakomi Method core principles, including mindfulness, non-violence, body-mind integration, and unity & organicity, within practice.
- Utilized mindfulness-based, present-moment awareness techniques to support children and youth in exploring emotions and behavioral patterns in a calm inner experience.

PATRONS: Jim Gray Thomas & Kim Buchanan Three Sisters Charitable Foundation

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City of Calgary – Family and Community Support Services, Foundations and Private Donors.

- Integrate body-centered approaches by observing and working with physical sensations and nonverbal cues in therapy.
- Facilitate gentle, experiential interventions to support insight, emotional processing, and self-awareness.
- Support children and youth in identifying and understanding unconscious patterns shaped by past experiences, particularly in trauma-informed contexts.
- Adapt Hakomi interventions to meet the developmental needs of children and youth.
- Collaborate with interdisciplinary teams to incorporate Hakomi strategies into treatment planning.

Qualifications

- Master's degree in Psychology; current registration and good standing with the College of Alberta Psychologists.
- Familiarity with the Canadian Code of Ethics for Psychologists, Code of Professional Conduct, Principles for Psychological Testing, Family Enhancement Act, Mental Health Act, Persons with Disabilities Act.
- Experience in Hakomi Method and understanding of core principles such as mindfulness, non-violence, body-mind integration, and unity & organicity.
- Experience with trauma-informed practice knowledge and experience.
- Experience in counselling with children and youth with special needs and their families.
- Experience with assessment, intervention and counseling in numerous areas (psychoeducational, social/emotional, behavioral, Autism, FASD, Learning Disabilities etc.).
- Knowledge of Developmentally Appropriate Practices.
- Experience working in community health or Primary Care Network considered an asset.
- A good listener, with strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Must have a vehicle, valid Alberta Driver's License, and a clean driving record.
- A reliable vehicle, auto insurance with a minimum \$2,000,000.00 liability and driver's license is required.
- Must have professional liability insurance.

Pre-Requisite Security Clearance Documentation:

- Successful candidates must provide us with a valid 'Calgary Police Check with Vulnerable Sector' dated within 3 months prior to their start date.
- 'Intervention Record Check through Alberta Child Services' is also required, however, we can support you with completing this during your onboarding.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should submit the following:

- A current resume.
- A cover letter.
- Contact information for three professional references.

Please send your application to the Staff Resource Team at:

employment@renfreweducation.org

Attention: Certified Hakomi Therapist

While we thank all applicants for their interest, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Renfrew Educational Service is an equal opportunity employer. We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees.