

FOSTERING HEALTHY FAMILIES STAFFING TEAM

Program Director:

Our Family Violence Outreach Worker is a graduate from the University of Victoria with a Bachelor of Arts in Child and Youth Care from the faculty of Human and Social Development, she has dedicated her life to helping those in need. With over 7 years of experience working in the human services field, she diligently designs and implements each program operating under the Fostering Healthy Families title. The program director also completes the required reporting to the funders and to inform the Board of Directors and community at large. Other major roles include overseeing staff, volunteers and the overall operations of the Fostering Healthy Families program.

Community Outreach Worker

The outreach worker has been a part of the Edmonton Muslim community for several years. She is educated in the area of Islamic practices and has been a mentor for families in the community for the last 7 years. The main responsibilities of the outreach worker include intake, assessment, safety planning and overall support of the clients in the FHF program. She has a diploma in accounting and did volunteer work for the Canadian Somalian Social Services Association.

Program Chair

The program chair is a member of the IFSSA board of directors. The chair works closely with the program director to ensure that the program is meeting the funding mandates and also the communities expectations. The chair works as a liaison between program staff and the board of directors.

Clinical Psychologist

Fostering Healthy Families offers **highly confidential** faith and culturally-sensitive counselling services to individuals affected by family violence. Counselling services are provided by Dr. Mohammed Sadiq. Dr. Sadiq is a Clinical Psychologist who received his Masters and Doctoral degrees in Behavioral and Clinical Psychology from the United States, and has been practicing in North America for the last 33 years. His experience covers a wide range of areas including:

- Forensic psychology,
- Psychiatric hospitals,
- Community mental health clinics,
- Residential youth institutes,
- Community agencies such as group homes for youth and sexual assault centers.

He has worked with people of all ages suffering from various emotional, mental, behavioral and family problems. He has also been working with various Muslim communities in North America providing individual, marital, family and youth counseling. He also teaches and conducts seminars and workshops for Muslim communities and professionals in training.

Volunteer team

Fostering Healthy Families aims to conduct on-going recruitment for qualified volunteers. The cross disciplinary team provides the following services:

- Volunteer support workers,
- Career counseling
- Program marketing
- Resource worker
- Spiritual supports