

Child and Youth Worker

A child and youth worker works to improve the physical, emotional, intellectual and social development of vulnerable children, youth and families. They focus on the growth and development of children and youth based on direct, day-to-day work with children and youth in their environment and develop relationships with children, their families, their communities and other interdisciplinary team members.

Do you love children? Are you creative? Are you patient? Do you like to be physically and mentally challenged? Do you have the maturity and strength to deal with highly sensitive situations? Are you able to leave your work at work?



MOST IMPORTANT ESSENTIAL SKILLS

- communication skills
- conflict resolution
- interpersonal skills
- problem solving



POTENTIAL EARNINGS

Hourly wage

from \$18.00 to \$37.91

Annual salary

from \$35,100 to \$73,924

Make up to 100K during your apprenticeship



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

You could work for:

- community and mental health centres
- correctional facilities
- school boards
- social service agencies
- shelters and group homes
- treatment centers
 or one day have your OWN business!

Other related trades:

- Child Developmental Practitioner (620C)
- Educational assistant (620E)
- Developmental services worker (620D)



IMPORTANT DETAILS

- CODE 620A
- Non-compulsory trade
- 6,240 hours on the job + 960 hours of in-school training (levels 1, 2, 3, 4)
- Total of 7,200 hours (approximately four years)
- No certifying exam



To become a child and youth worker, you could participate in an apprenticeship.

Start your apprenticeship now with OYAP!

Check out the specialized programs in your high school to explore the trades!

