

IRIS HOUSE, INC.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Peer Educator, SAMSHA (YOU!) **FLSA Status:** Non-exempt (part-time)
Reports To: Principal Investigator **Department:** Prevention
Location: West Side Headquarters

POSITION SUMMARY

The Peer/Outreach Worker will be a peer with experience working the target population and be able to effectively conduct outreach and service provision to the African-American and Latino population in the program catchment area. The position will participate in recruiting for, organizing and coordinating mobile testing, conducting targeted outreach, promoting services via multiple social media channels, conducting outreach/recruitment for HIV, Hepatitis C and STI testing, make referrals, record and assist in data collection. Additionally, the Peer/Outreach Worker will be responsible for co-facilitation of the Seeking Safety intervention, assist in linkage to care/navigation services and coordinating appropriate services with lead partner SAMHSA.

ESSENTIAL POSITION FUNCTIONS

1. Conduct target outreach and recruitment for the target population, including YMSMs, transgender and high-risk youth and facilitate curriculum activities and group discussion utilizing strong group facilitation skills. Identify sites and locations to recruit participants and establish working relationships and linkages as needed. Community outreach to reduce the risk of HIV/AIDS by providing HIV/AIDS education and resource information and materials
2. Assist in establishing and insuring a friendly and safe environment during workshops/intervention sessions. Participate and ensure integrity of data collection and entry for evaluation purposes and participate in continuous quality improvement of program. Participate in the design and preparation of activities to publicize the program within the community.
3. Provide educational and resource information and/or engage potential clients into Iris House programs. Provide escorting and navigation services as needed to ensure linkage to care to health providers and Iris House programs.
4. Presents Iris House programs and services to other community based organizations, such as medical and service providers and HIV care network organizations, to cultivate and maintain linkage agreements for reciprocal services and to generate referrals for Iris House HIV/AIDS services.
5. Perform condom distribution activities in the community and via street outreach.
6. Must be able to travel to partner AHF on a regular basis and throughout the community and be able to work some weeknights and weekends as directed by the Program Manager or supervisory staff.
7. Participates in special projects and other duties as assigned by the Program Manager or other supervisory staff.

POSITION REQUIREMENTS

Education: High school degree or GED, plus 1 year experience within the Human Services or related field or equivalent educational and work experience. HIV Testing preferred. Spanish Bilingual preferred.

Experience: Minimum of one (1) years of outreach experience, (1) year group facilitation and outreach experience working with the target population.

Other Requirements: Strong group facilitation skills; Knowledge and understanding of HIV prevention, treatment and care. Excellent communication skills; must be proficient in the use of personal computers. Ability to travel extensively in New York City's 5 boroughs and work eventually at late nights and weekends.

Payment: 18 dollars per hour, two days per week w/the possibility of some additional days per week.

Contact information: Qualified Candidates please respond via email with a letter of introduction and resume to:
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