

# **Job Description**

Job Title:	Outreach Health Educator I	Exempt / Non-Exempt:	Exempt
Unit:	Health Intervention Prevention	Benefits:	Full Benefits Package
Location (City):	520 N. La Brea Ave. Inglewood, CA 90301	Travel Required:	Yes
Hourly Rate Range:	\$21.67 - \$24.43	Position Type:	Full-Time Regular
Date Posted:	(Beginning July 2024)	Posting Expires:	Once filled

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#### **Summary**

The Harm Reduction Specialist I delivers harm reduction-focused prevention education, navigation and testing services to vulnerable populations at the highest risk for HIV, STDs, Viral Hepatitis, and other communicable diseases. HRS I will conduct risk assessment, testing, overdose prevention, naloxone distribution, facilitation of syringe access and disposal, individual and group level interventions, and linkage to care/health navigation to reduce disease transmission, and increased access to care and treatment in association with substance use disorder (SUD) prevention and referral

# **Role and Responsibilities**

- 1. IMPLEMENTATION OF HARM REDUCTION OUTREACH AND NAVIGATION ACTIVITIES (70%):
  - a. Provide direct service care to fixed-site based and mobile health program clients. This includes outreach, HIV/STI/VHP prevention education, risk assessment, HIV/STI/VHP screening, linkage to care and treatment.
  - b. Provide written and verbal harm reduction information on safer injection strategies, vein and abscess care, overdose prevention, intramuscular/intranasal naloxone administration, sexual health, and HIV/STI/VHP transmission to at-risk clients.
  - c. Provide and disseminate harm reduction supplies such as condoms, lube, safer-smoking and safer-injection equipment, along with associated brochures/educational materials that are culturally appropriate and increases awareness of HIV/STI/VHP transmission, risk, and prevention strategies.



- d. Provide a range of supportive services: service planning and linkages to health, mental health, substance use disorder services, legal services, benefits establishment, transportation, basic needs (food, clothing, hygiene), crisis management, and transitioning housing.
- e. Provide clients with easily accessible and low threshold services within a harm reduction framework. This includes assisting clients with accessing support services (i.e. substance use and mental health treatment), primary care, homeless shelters, housing and documentation/legal advocacy.
- f. Responsible for daily operations, including preparation and organization of harm reduction materials, transportation of outreach supplies, and opening set-up and closing-down procedures to ensure welcoming, safe and clean outreach sites.
- g. Conduct on-and-off site trainings on overdose prevention for naloxone administration and distribution. This includes education/distribution of fentanyl test strips to active opioid users, their family, members of their social networks and service providers.

### 2. ENSURE QUALITY CONTROL AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (20%):

- a. Complete contract documentation, tracking and reporting requirements in a timely manner.
- b. Monitor and review case files documentation regularly in accordance with AADAP, Federal, State and County standards.
- c. Establish and maintain a professional rapport and harmonious relationships with clients, collaborating partner agencies/programs, and agency staff.
- d. Represent the agency at meetings, trainings and other gatherings to promote agency efforts in a professional manner.
- e. Attend meetings and trainings to expand knowledge of SUD, HIV/STI/Hep C, other comorbidities, and related issues to remain current on new developments.

#### 4. PERFORM OTHER DUTIES AS ASSIGNED (10%):

- a. Serve as a liaison with external agencies, institutions, community task forces, and support services as directed.
- b. Support agency-wide promotional campaigns, information/education and visibility activities.

### Qualifications (Skills/ Knowledge and Abilities)

#### 1. REOUIREMENTS:..

- a. Permanent resident or U.S. Citizen; proof of work eligibility upon hiring.
- b. Valid California Drivers License and current automobile liability insurance.
- c. Must have at least 1 year of recovery or a drug free lifestyle as of the date of application.
- d. Must be able to work with people of diverse cultural, educational, social, and economic backgrounds.
- e. Recent physical examination and TB test necessary upon hiring.

#### Preferred Skills

- BA Degree in Social Welfare, Psychology or other related field with the minimum of one year's job related experience.
- Experience in harm reduction and SUD related services.
- Experience in harm reduction SUD related contracts.



#### General Requirements and Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (KSA's):

- Permanent resident or U.S. Citizen; proof of work eligibility upon hiring.
- Valid California Driver License and current automobile liability insurance.
- Must have three (3) years of recovery or drug free lifestyle as of the date of the application.
- Must provide proof of full vaccination and 1st Booster against Covid-19 upon hiring.
- Ability to get along well with others, be punctual, pleasant, and tactful with professional appearance and conduct.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with supervisors, coworkers, clients and their families, community organizations, and the general public.
- Ability to be culturally competent of age groups, gender identity, sexual orientation, spiritual beliefs, socioeconomic status, and diverse cultures.

### **Physical Requirements:**

**Moderate Duty** 

This class requires that the incumbent stand or walk most of the time with bending, stooping, squatting, twisting reaching, working or irregular surfaces, occasional lifting of objects over 25 pounds, and frequent lifting of 10-25 pounds. Ascending and descending ladders and staircase will be more frequent. An example is this position frequently will be moving and organizing agency supplies.

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