

Early Intervention Specialist

Job Title: HIV Early Intervention Specialist (EIS)

Essential Duties & Responsibilities

- 1. Provide specialized HIV prevention education and testing to HIV positive/negative individuals, including individualized sessions and educational workshops.
- Conduct intakes and bio-psychosocial assessments for clients living with HIV or AIDS or those affected by HIV/AIDS
- 3. Develop comprehensive, individualized care plans to ensure access to medical care
- 4. Regular monitoring/follow-up through both phone and face-to-face visits
- 5. Provide crisis intervention as needed
- 6. Link newly diagnosed individuals to care services, including case management, partner services and medical care, social programs, and education.
- 7. Adhere to Policies and Procedures and maintain professionalism
- 8. Participate in staff meetings and other meetings as needed
- 9. Prepare draft progress and final reports for programs and activities enter data into database systems
- 10. Assist in identifying new outreach sites and strategies as needed
- 11. Develop relationships with the community in order to gain access to HIV positive individuals and individuals at risk for HIV infection.
- 12. Offer behavioral interventions to change knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors to reduce personal risk of transmitting or acquiring other STIs
- 13. Work with local Health Departments and Epidemiological staff to identify target demographics, as well as the targeted geographical service area
- 14. Transport and attend appointments including; medical, case management and social services

- 15. Occasional Saturday, evening/weekend hours or may be required to work at another site or at agency events
- 16. Establish and maintain relationships with County Jail Health/Social Services staff, Sheriff's Department staff and jail-based drug treatment providers and with appropriate community-based providers
- 17. Schedule and facilitate health education workshops in jail setting alone and with community partners, as needed
- 18. Assist in achieving agency goals and additional responsibilities as needed.

Qualifications

- 1. Ability to work effectively with humans of diverse gender identities, races, ethnicities, ages, sexual orientations, and drug use patterns, in a multicultural environment. This is a critical component to the agency and the work that is done in the community.
- 2. Willingness to work non-traditional hours (nights and weekends).
- 3. Must be able to work independently as well as in a team environment.
- 4. Must demonstrate sound judgment, initiative and discretionary abilities.
- 5. HIV/HCV testing and Case Management certification obtained within 6 months of hire.

6. Must possess <u>reliable transportation</u>, a <u>valid Michigan driver's license</u> and maintain the <u>minimum Michigan vehicle insurance requirements</u>.

Critical Qualities

- 1. **Confidentiality** capable of maintaining the highest degree of confidentiality concerning clients and organizational information.
- 2. **Person-Centered** capable of working with individuals to identify needs and priorities, and facilitate any positive change as a client defines that for themselves.
- 3. **Motivated** capable of taking the initiative and following a project through to completion.

- 4. **Organized** capable of prioritizing needs, goals and objectives. Capable of maintaining all required information to achieve goals and priorities.
- 5. **Problem Solver** capable of thinking on the spot to resolve problem situations as they arise. Able to assess relevant information, identify a range of options, and make recommendations for resolution of problem situations.
- 6. **Salary** for this position is \$35,000 annually

How to Apply:

Email you resume to <u>tspringer@wellnessaids.org</u> (please no phone calls)