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The Chatham Health District has a Job Opening

Vaccine Equity Coordinator (Part-Time/Temporary)

Maximum Hourly Wage: \$35.00

Hours per Week: Approximately 25

Duration: Position expires on August 31st

Recruitment Closes: Open until Filled

Vaccine Equity Coordinator

The Chatham Health District (CHD) is looking for an enthusiastic, self-motivated individual to take the lead in a 4-month intensive effort to increase COVID-19 vaccine coverage among hard-to-reach populations in our jurisdiction. This is a responsible field and office position that will oversee efforts to address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on vulnerable communities; and ensure access to and acceptance of COVID-19 vaccines among vulnerable populations including people of color, low wage earners, uninsured/underinsured individuals, people experiencing homelessness, and the homebound/those in need of transportation to clinics within CHD.

Funding for this position is for 4 months as part of the Vaccine Equity Partnership Funding program awarded to CHD by the CT Department of Public Health.

Responsibilities (not a comprehensive list)

- Cultivate collaborative relationships with community partners and local stakeholders to improve COVID-19 vaccine access and uptake among target populations
- Identify local trusted messengers to facilitate message delivery
- Conduct a needs assessment to identify sources of vaccine hesitancy as well as barriers to vaccine access among target populations.
 - Work in collaboration with local stakeholders to plan and promote local events such as meetings, forums and listening sessions per week
 - Gather data regarding community attitudes/knowledge about vaccination.
- Work in collaboration with medical providers to implement strategies to address vaccine hesitancy and barriers to vaccine access among target populations. Possible strategies include:
 - hosting hyper-local clinics
 - clinics in association with other events such as food bank pick up days or church services
 - varying clinic hours and arranging transportation.

- Develop and disseminate informational materials addressing vaccine hesitancy and promoting vaccination events through a variety of platforms such as radio, print, and social media.

Minimum Requirements

- Bachelor's degree with a focus on education, public health, social work, nursing, or biological sciences preferred
- Knowledge of health disparities/health equity
- Experience in program management
- Experience with community outreach/engagement
- Ability to use Microsoft Office products
- Self-starter with ability to work independently
- Ability to work from home
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Access to and use of personal transportation. Must have a valid Connecticut driver's license.

This is a part-time (approximately 25hrs/week) temporary (through August 31st 2021) grant-funded position which does not include benefits. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and resume to:

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Questions may be directed to the Director of Health, Russell Melmed at (860) 365-0884 or russell.melmed@chathamhealth.org.