



Internship Opportunity

Community-Based Research Internship

Location: West Coast Office - 1111 Broadway, Oakland, CA

Hours: 15 hours per week – 5-7 hours of field-based interviewing at a community-based organization in various parts of Oakland + 5-7 hours per week of administrative work and team meetings

Timeline: June 25th to August 25th (with an opportunity to extend)

Reports to: Taeko Frost, DrPH, Western Regional Director

Honorarium Offered

APPLICATION DEADLINE: June 15th, 2018

Purpose: The Harm Reduction Coalition is seeking a motivated self-start to join our team for the summer as the Community-Based Research & Advocacy Intern! This position will be co-supported in partnership with Research Triangle Institute & HIV Education Prevention Project of Alameda County. This position will receive hands on qualitative interviewing training, data review and analysis skills, and mentorship.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Coordinate the logistics of in-person interviewer administered interviews, including scheduling time for interviews at a variety of fixed and mobile sites where HEPPAC provides access to harm reduction services
- Conduct ~10-15-minute interviews with participants at HEPPAC on the topic of overdose prevention, syringe access, and supervised consumption services at multiple sites in Oakland
- Maintain excellent records of all interviews, including completed surveys, incentives offered, consent forms, and follow up
- Participate in the review of the data and discussion related to themes from the data collected
- Support the Western Regional Director in mapping out resources, collecting and organizing research articles, and other duties as assigned

Required Skills:

- An interest and commitment to improving the health and wellness of people who use drugs in California; familiarity with harm reduction and syringe exchange programs a plus
- Self-motivated and directed; enjoys coordinating logistics and working with people
- General understanding of working a computer and using programs like Word, Excel, etc.
- Extremely organized and detail-oriented
- Familiarity with community-based research a plus

People who use (or used to use) drugs, current or former sex workers, people of color, women, members from the LGBTQIA communities, those who have experienced housing insecurity, people who have received harm reduction services, and people living with HIV/AIDS and/or hepatitis C are strongly encouraged to apply. **Oakland residents preferred.**

Application Instructions:

- 1) Submit a brief cover letter (1 page maximum) and current resume/CV – in your cover letter please indicate (a) your interest in the position and harm reduction, (b) any relevant research or harm reduction experience, and (c) general availability during the 8-weeks of the position. **Please submit both documents as a Word or PDF file with your first and last name on each file.**
- 2) Include “**Community-Based Research Internship**” in the subject line.
- 3) E-mail the documents to Taeko Frost, Western Regional Director, at frost@harmreduction.org before the application deadline.