# School Based Clinics – Health Educator

# **Position Description**

The Health Educator provides adolescent health-focused health education services through the School Based Clinic (SBC) Program. This position will implement individualized clinic-based health education sessions to teens, conduct clinic outreach, provide classroom presentations and may cofacilitate the Teen Health Empowerment Council (T.H.E. Council).

This position reports to the Health Education Program Manager and coordinates work with onsite SBC staff members. This position does not supervise staff.

# **Job Duties and Responsibilities**

#### **Client Recruitment**

- Work with SBC staff, school staff and community partners to identify and screen clients for health education needs and connect them to health education services.
- Attend school meetings and school events and conduct classroom presentations and outreach to promote all clinic services including but not limited to sexual health and STI prevention programs.
- Form partnerships with school staff and other key community stakeholders to improve clinic referrals and expand outreach efforts.
- Participate in school leadership groups or activities as needed to promote inclusive, youth friendly
  policies and to raise visibility of the SBC as adolescent health experts among school staff and
  families.
- Assist with recruitment activities for T.H.E. Council, including promotion of T.H.E. Council, interviewing potential members, and selecting representatives from specific high school locations.

### **Health Education**

- Implement 1:1 evidence-based and evidence-informed pregnancy and STI prevention education to adolescent clients, including but not limited to delivering the Safer Sex Intervention.
- Provide 1:1 health education services to adolescents on a variety of sexual health topics including birth control methods, STI prevention, STI testing and negative results counseling, healthy

relationships, communication, and adult preparation topics using adolescent friendly approaches and motivational interviewing skills.

- Develop quality working relationships with adolescent clients.
- Customize the content of each educational session to the interests and risk level of each patient.
- Follow up with clients in additional sessions as needed or required by program specifications.
- Make internal and external referrals based on needs to SBC, school or other community resources.
- Assist in creating client education materials on relevant health education topics including designing brochures, videos, bulletin board materials, and other creative content.
- Implement health education programming based on grant and SBC internal performance measure requirements including meeting monthly targets for 1:1 sessions and outreach activities. program procedures, training, and data collection.
- Collaborate with SBC, school staff and other youth serving community agencies on service delivery
- Co-facilitate the Teen Health Empowerment Council (T.H.E. Council) in partnership with other SBC
   Public Health Specialist I and with direction from the Health Education Program Manager

# **Program Outreach**

- Develop and deliver evidence-based educational content for class presentations on a variety of adolescent health topics including but not limited to sexual health and healthy relationships.
- Conduct program outreach activities including presentations via classrooms, lunchrooms, school staff meetings, sport events, school conferences, parent meetings or other venues.
- Work with and foster collaborative relationships with key school staff such as family liaisons, coaches, health teachers, administrative staff or others to promote utilization of the SBC.
- Promote school based clinics activities through ongoing social media presence including Facebook and YouTube.
- Develop new outreach activities, including but not limited to creating health fair and lunch table outreach activities, social media content and social media campaigns, and adapting presentations for a variety of audiences (students, clubs/activities, parent groups, etc).
- Coordinate key outreach activities including health fairs, STI Fast Testing events, and open houses.

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## **Additional Requirements**

- Participate in monthly school based clinic health education team meetings and ongoing SBC staff meetings.
- Attend and participate in all grant-required trainings and ongoing meetings, per grant agreements.
- Provide updated information on health education programming to SBC staff.
- Attend trainings for health education-related topics including those organized by funders and trainings in specific evidence-based curricula as needed.
- Compile and submit health education data for monitoring and reporting purposes and grant reporting.
- Assist in evaluation activities to determine impact of clinic services, including the collection of client surveys and senior surveys, and assisting in the analysis of electronic health records data.
- Participate in public health emergency preparedness training and response as assigned.

# **Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities**

- Experience working with adolescents in clinical or school settings.
- Experience working with diverse communities and skilled in delivering LGBTQ inclusive, traumainformed, and culturally responsive services.
- Training and experience in youth development, health education or community education.
- Group facilitation skills and experience.
- Comfort in discussing sexual health issues in 1:1 and group settings.
- Experience in and ability to work in an urban, collaborative environment, particularly with schools, multiple agencies, providers, and multiple levels of government.
- Demonstrated high level interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively on cross functional and diverse teams (internal and external) on teen sexual health prevention issues.
- Background and experience in motivational interviewing (MI).
- Training in teen pregnancy prevention evidence-based curricula, including but not limited to Safer Sex Intervention, FLASH and Positive Prevention Plus
- Strong written and verbal communication skills and experience in public speaking.