

Careers at RFCUNY Job Openings

Job Title Peer Navigator

PVN ID HC-1711-002216

Category Research

Location HUNTER COLLEGE

DepartmentCHESTStatusFull Time

Salary Depends on qualifications

Hour(s) a Week 35

Closing Date Jan 16, 2018 (Or Until Filled)

General Description

The Center for HIV/AIDS Educational Studies and Training (CHEST) of Hunter College, City University of New York, is hiring for a full-time Peer Navigator with knowledge and experience in the areas of HIV/AIDS and adolescent health including treatment and issues faced by youth living with HIV. CHEST (www.chestnyc.org) is an internationally recognized multidisciplinary research center which blends academic and community-based work focused on sexual health, HIV/AIDS, LGBT issues, and substance use. CHEST is an equal opportunity employer and we strongly encourage applications from individuals from diverse backgrounds, including racial/ethnic and sexual/gender minorities.

The **Peer Navigator**'s primary role will be to deliver a cell-phone based intervention aimed at increasing adherence to antiretroviral medications among HIV+ youth. The Peer Navigator will build rapport with participants and HIV care providers and assess reasons for non-adherence and problem-solve barriers to adherence. The Peer Navigator will also develop regular call schedules with those enrolled in a research study to improve adherence to HIV medications and maintain study logs, schedule laboratory visits and perform other administrative duties associated with running a longitudinal study. The Peer Navigator is required to troubleshoot and resolve issues related to implementation of the study while balancing a full workload and escalate issues to the Project Director as needed. The Peer Navigator will report directly to the Project Director who maintains responsibility for the respective research projects. The Peer Navigator will work closely with the CHEST Project Director and have communication with healthcare providers across the continental US.

Other Duties

Qualifications

Requirements: Bachelor's Degree is preferred; knowledge of HIV including antiretroviral therapy is required. Training and experience in motivational interviewing and experience working for healthcare, medical, or research settings are highly desired. The Peer Navigator position requires excellent organizational, written, verbal communication and interpersonal skills as the Peer Navigator will make daily phone calls to participants and regular calls to providers, manage and track adherence to the intervention, maintain compliance with protocols and deliver interventions, track participants and maintain audio files and electronic logs. Proficiency with data entry is also required. Knowledge of Microsoft Office and familiarity with research methodology is preferred. Applicants must be able to work independently in a self-directed fashion while managing repetitive tasks. Flexible schedule with evening and weekend work sometimes required.

Salary: Commensurate with experience.

<u>To apply</u>: Please submit a cover letter, Curriculum Vitae and references. **Note:** Resumes without a cover letter that clearly delineate experience and interest in HIV/AIDS treatment and adherence will not be considered for review.