



ACNS JOB POSTING

Health & Wellness Program Coordinator (Halifax)

Full-time, start date: ASAP 2023

About the AIDS Coalition of Nova Scotia

ACNS has a history dating back to the formation of the first community-based HIV/AIDS organization in the Atlantic region in the early 1980s. This history includes meaningful engagement of persons living with HIV/AIDS and targeted prevention programming tailored to key populations. ACNS is a not-for-profit, charitable, community-based organization that provides support, delivers prevention programs and assists in building a community response to HIV/AIDS across Nova Scotia through partnership development. ACNS exists to empower persons living with, affected by, and at risk for HIV/AIDS – we do this through health and wellness promotion and mutual support; to reduce the spread of HIV in Nova Scotia; and to reduce the stigma and discrimination associated with HIV/AIDS.

Job Summary

The **Health and Wellness Program Coordinator** is responsible for implementing HIV and other Sexually-Transmitted and Blood-Borne Illness (STBBI) prevention programs, as well as broader sexual health program activities targeting key populations at risk for HIV. (Key populations include but are not limited to: Gay, Bi, and other men who have sex with men, people who inject drugs, transgender people, etc.) This position will also include work targeting healthcare and service providers who work with these communities in Nova Scotia. The position will involve coordination and implementation of program objectives and goals, work plans, timelines and evaluations. This position is based in our Halifax office.

Principle Duties

- Develop, adapt and implement HIV/STBBI specific and health & wellness promotion programs for key populations):
 - Develop and provide skills building workshops and programs
 - Expand capacity development for health professionals and other service providers
 - Seek resources for programs, including funding and in-kind contributions from program partners
 - Contribute to the development of social media and online Health & Wellness promotion content.
- Report program results to funders
- Maintain and develop ongoing relationships with community partners
- Participate in development of governmental and non-governmental partner campaigns and programs relevant to HIV and sexual health
- Participate in policy development and research opportunities that support the work of ACNS
- Represent ACNS in consulting roles on development of HIV/STBBI and sexual health tools and programs as appropriate

Other Activities

- Participate in public relations activities including developing material and content
- Coordinate communications with the ACNS staff team
- Recruit, develop and train volunteers
- Other duties as assigned by the Executive Director or designate

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities

- Two years of work experience in community-based organizations in sexual health and/or in Queer communities required
- Personal experience and knowledge of the issues faced by Queer populations, and familiarity with local and regional Queer communities and resources
- Undergraduate degree, diploma, or equivalent lived experience in a field that is related to Education, Health and/or Social Services
- Knowledge of HIV/STBBI combination prevention approaches specific to key populations
- Demonstrated experience and knowledge of program planning and evaluation
- Working knowledge of health promotion practices, population health, and adult education principles
- Strong interpersonal, oral and written communication skills
- Experience working with Community-Based Organizations
- Solid working knowledge of social networking platforms (e.g. Facebook, Instagram, Grindr) and must be comfortable doing online outreach via sexual network and dating apps such as Grindr, Squirt, etc.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office (e.g. Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and other computer platforms
- Knowledge of social determinants of health, intersectionality, and Harm Reduction principles an asset

All submissions are welcome...

We encourage, and will give preference to, submissions from:

- applicants who identify as members of the Queer community (2SLGBTQIA+)
- applicants living with HIV;
- Indigenous, African/Caribbean/Black, and other applicants of colour; and
- applicants who are disabled.

If any of these apply to you please indicate that in your application.

Application Deadline

Applications are due by 11:59 PM, July 31, 2023.

- Include a cover letter and resume in one document
- Applications should be submitted ASAP by email to:

Chris Aucoin
Executive Director
ed@acns.ns.ca

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