

Community Health Navigator - Passamaquoddy Community - Pleasant Point

Healthy Acadia, a non-profit community health coalition providing health services primarily in Washington and Hancock counties and as well as across Maine, seeks to fill a part-time position to support the implementation of a HRSA-funded initiative in Washington County. The programmatic focus of these positions will be directly serving individuals with substance use disorder and improving systems of care.

Reporting to the Recovery Projects Director, the *Community Health Navigator* will support the implementation of a system of care navigation through the HRSA PROSPER Initiative, serving individuals with substance use disorder (SUD) and their children from pregnancy through age 18.

This position will have a distinct community of focus: the Passamaquoddy tribal community of Sipayik (Pleasant Point); this position will also help support the Passamaquoddy tribal community of Motahkomikuk (Indian Township), as needed.

Responsibilities:

The Community Health Navigator will provide key support and partnership to the PROSPER Community Health Navigation team, working together with Consortium members and other partners to develop referral systems, provide education and outreach about PROSPER, provide in-depth navigation services and care coordination for Passamaquoddy clients living in or near Sipayik, and coordinate education, training, and support groups for families and the community. There will be travel throughout the service area to support clients in addition to offering virtual support.

Qualifications and Experience Sought:

- Working knowledge of local and regional health care systems, social services, and other resources preferred.
- A member of the Passamaquoddy community served and/or with a close understanding of the community served.
- Personal experience with the recovery process and/or knowledge of pathways to recovery.
- Team player able to elevate the success of colleagues and community.
- Ability to manage and disseminate information effectively to a wide variety of audiences.
- Strong communication skills: ability to listen well, write and speak effectively.
- Highly self-motivated, ability to work independently from the office or in the community.
- Highly organized with the ability to work on multiple projects concurrently; set and keep deadlines; regularly prioritize work and follow own plan of work.
- Warm, personable, and approachable. Ability to work with diverse people, conduct culturally competent outreach, and build and maintain strong working relationships with diverse partner organizations.
- Ability to exercise good judgment in the face of competing priorities, agendas, and partner sensitivities.
- Bachelor's degree in Social Work or similar field, or equivalent experience.



This is a part-time position, 20 hours/week with part-time benefits. It is a one year position with possibility of continuation based on funding availability. Salary range: \$19-20/hour. Regular travel throughout the project service area and occasional travel beyond is required.

To apply: Please send a cover letter, resume, and three professional references, in a single document, to <u>jobs@healthyacadia.org</u>. Application deadline is February 15, 2024. Please email Caroline Bloss at <u>caroline.bloss@healthyacadia.org</u> with any questions.

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