

JOB OPPORTUNITY: PEER EDUCATOR

The Alliance for South Asian AIDS Prevention (ASAAP) is an AIDS Service Organization committed to providing health promotion, care, and support for self-identifying South Asians living with, at risk of, or affected by HIV/AIDS

ASAAP is seeking a part-time Peer Educator to support its Gay, Bi-sexual, Trans and Questioning (GBTQ) Men's Health and Prevention Project to increase service access for South Asian GBTQ youth. This project is funded by Toronto Public Health's Toronto Urban Health Fund (THUF)

Contract term: 15 hours per week at 15.00 per hour ending June 30, 2020. Some weekend and evening work will apply. Enrollment into group benefits plan is available to eligible successful applicants.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conduct HIV education and outreach to increase service access to South Asian gay, bisexual and MSM youth at diverse community settings including bathhouses, bars and community-based events
- Co-facilitate a monthly peer support group in collaboration with other AIDS Service Organizations to create a safe space for dialogue on HIV prevention education, discussions on healthy relationships and healthy sexuality, and the formation of protective social networks
- Develop and participate actively in a Project Advisory Committee
- Work collaboratively with ASAAP's Prevention Education team & MSM staff
- Network with other Non-Profit Organizations (NPOs) serving South Asian populations in Toronto
- Engage project volunteers in initiatives for South Asian gay, bisexual and MSM youth
- Support data recording and evaluation and writing of project reports
- Assist with agency-wide activities and other duties assigned by the Executive Director

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Knowledge of HIV/AIDS prevention and a strong understanding of the Social Determinants of Health
- Understanding of the need for culturally appropriate programming, especially within the context of South Asian communities
- Previous experience with group facilitation, popular education and online social networking tools
- Proven communications, interpersonal and organization skills with an ability to work well in teams
- Demonstrated ability to take initiative and develop creative approaches to programming
- Previous experience with program coordination, outreach, reporting and MS office software
- Demonstrated ability to exercise sound judgment, discretion, and tact
- The ability to communicate in one or more South Asian languages (Hindi, Urdu, Bengali, Gujarati, Punjabi, Nepali or Tamil) with strong networks within the South Asian community
- Understanding and commitment to an anti-oppressive framework, particularly around issues of race, gender and sexuality

Application deadline: August.1.2017 by 5pm

Please submit a detailed resume and cover letter to:

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ASAAP is committed to employment equity and encourages people living with HIV/AIDS, visible minorities and newcomers who identify as GBTQ to apply. We thank all applicants but only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.