



Promising HIV Prevention Programs and Interventions for Rural and Remote Regions in Canada:

Services Scoping

Job Description – 2 Research Assistants

POSITION IDENTIFICATION

Position: Research Assistant

Status: Part Time Position (300 hours/per position)

Time Period: January 2013-August 2013

Project Summary

The aim of this services scoping study is to a) collect program information on promising HIV prevention programs for rural and remote regions in Canada from selected AIDS Service Organizations (ASOs), other community-based organizations (CBOs), and clinics providing HIV prevention programs/interventions in rural/remote areas of Canada, b) develop and share an electronic compendium based on this information, and c) develop a research proposal on promising HIV prevention programs. Study outputs will include the electronic compendium, a journal article manuscript and a CIHR funding application. This study is a collaboration among academic and community members of the CIHR Social Research Centre (SRC) in HIV Prevention, in partnership with the CIHR Canadian HIV Clinical Trials Network (CTN), CATIE, the Canadian AIDS Society (CAS), and the Canadian Aboriginal AIDS Network (CAAN). The study Principal Investigator is Dr. Catherine Worthington (University of Victoria).

Job Description

The two (2) Research Assistants will report to Catherine Worthington. Overall project guidance will come from the study team. The Research Assistants jointly will be responsible for coordinating study activities, including planning team meetings/teleconferences; assisting with the development of sampling frames and data collection tools; communicating with ASO, CBOs and HIV clinics about the study; conducting the data collection and documenting HIV prevention program details; coordinating the creation of the electronic compendium and other products; contributing to research proposal development; summarizing and reporting on study processes; and providing regular updates to and consulting with the Principal Investigator. One research assistant will have responsibility for activities within Western Canada; and one research assistant will have responsibility for activities within Eastern Canada. Jointly, the positions are for up to 600 hours. Community members and people living with HIV are encouraged to apply for this position.

Qualifications

- Master's level education (or equivalent experience)
- Excellent organizational and interpersonal skills and ability to work independently and as a team member
- Experience with program planning, development and evaluation knowledge and skills
- Excellent writing skills for a wide variety of audiences (academic, public)
- Excellent computer skills (MS Word/Office, Power Point, Excel, data base experience)
- Ability to speak and write in French is required for at least one research assistant position

Interested applicants should send a current resume/c.v. with a cover letter detailing their relevant educational and work skills and experiences for this position. Applications are **due Friday, December 21, 2012** to Rebecca Lee (rlee@hivnet.ubc.ca). Team meetings and job interviews will be conducted in English. For further information about the position, please contact Catherine Worthington (worthing@uvic.ca) or Rebecca Lee.

About the SRC

The CIHR Social Research Centre in HIV Prevention (SRC) is a Canadian interdisciplinary network of social researchers, community leaders, public health practitioners and policy makers committed to advancing HIV prevention efforts through novel approaches to social science research, capacity building, and knowledge transfer and exchange (KTE).

Created in June 2009 with financial support from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the SRC responds to the need for leadership in developing integrated programs of prevention research, capacity building and knowledge translation, aimed at improving services, increasing resilience, decreasing vulnerability to HIV, and ultimately reducing HIV transmission. For more information, please visit: <http://srchiv.ca>.