

# **NYC Peer and Community Health Workforce Consortium**

## **Research and Evaluation Coordinator**

### **Job Description**

**Mission:** The Peer and Community Health Workforce Consortium will continue building and sustaining the peer support workforce by coordinating efforts with existing community organizations to address the needs of individuals who work in a variety of peer support and community health worker roles and those who employ them. The Consortium will also act as convener and coordinating body for various peer groups to address needs across service types and explore increased integration.

#### **Consortium Goals:**

- 1) To provide information and assistance to organizations that hire, train and sustain peer and community health workers, and to the workers themselves to support the successful integration, expansion and advancement of the peer workforce in New York City.
- 2) Build capacity within the profession by strengthening existing structures of peer and community health worker networks, creating opportunities to share and identify best practices, and evaluating existing programs and curriculum, supports, resources, and the landscape of the peer and community health workforces.
- 3) Ensure that the perspectives of peer support workers are well represented and incorporated as the system transforms and becomes more professionalized.
- 4) Enhance relationships between and possible integration across mental health advocates, substance use peers, family advocates, youth advocates, and community health workers.

#### ***Responsibilities:***

- Research the evidence base, effectiveness and impact on outcomes and finances of peers and community health workers; as well as best practices, program models and standards to inform the peer support/community health worker communities and to inform Consortium planning and performance evaluation activities.
- Work closely with Consortium team members, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Division leadership and staff, and with external stakeholders, to coordinate efforts to evaluate peer support worker and community health worker needs and demand for services.
- Develop and implement surveys, questionnaires, community consultations and other evaluations with other consortium staff.

- Identify potential data sources, and analyze new and existing datasets to inform local programming, planning and priorities.
- Plan, facilitate and report on community consultations and focus groups that inform consortium evaluation projects.
- Advise consortium staff on creating and implementing community outreach and information gathering that aligns with research and evaluation protocols and best practices.
- Consult with stakeholders through committee meetings, community presentations and workshops.
- Identify and implement mechanisms to monitor and evaluate the integration of peer support workers and Community Health Workers into the behavioral health work force.
- Author and present reports for senior managers and stakeholders based on findings from analyses.
- Work closely with Bureau leadership and Consortium staff to collaborate on and coordinate data analysis and research in support of Bureau peer support and community health worker activities.

### ***Minimum Requirements***

A Master's degree from an accredited college or university with a specialization in an appropriate field of physical, biological or environmental science or in public health.

### ***Qualifications:***

- Experience in survey methods, conducting analyses of complex datasets and maintaining documentation of datasets
- Knowledge of the peer and community health workforces or other mental hygiene service areas preferred
- Excellent organizational, interpersonal, oral and writing skills
- Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint
- Proficiency with SAS, SPSS, or SUDAAN, and other statistical analysis software
- Proficiency with SQL, GIS (ArcMap) is helpful
- Graduate level work in data analytic techniques, mathematics, statistics, measures of association, return on investment, or related data analysis fields.

**Salary Range: \$ 60, 000- \$ 75,000 commensurate with experience and credentials. This position is funded through June 30th, 2018.**

To apply, please email letter of interest and resume to [oca@health.nyc.gov](mailto:oca@health.nyc.gov) .

Applications should be received by August 31, 2017.