



## COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATOR Pierce County AIDS Foundation, Tacoma

***Mission Statement:*** *The Pierce County AIDS Foundation, through education and service, prevents HIV infection, assists persons affected by HIV/AIDS, addresses related health problems, and combats associated stigma and discrimination.*

### **General Description:**

The Community Health Educator position is responsible for implementing appropriate HIV prevention services for affected populations in Pierce County. The Community Health Educator will coordinate the SISTA Program. SISTA is a group-level, social skills training intervention for African-American women under age thirty aimed at reducing HIV sexual risk behaviors. It is comprised of five, two-hour sessions that are gender and culturally relevant, and include behavioral skills practice, group discussions, lectures, role-plays, safer sex communication/negotiation, a prevention video, and take home exercises.

### **Scope of Work:**

The Community Health Educator, under the supervision of the Prevention Director, is responsible for the following:

- Market the SISTA Program and recruit women from the target population to attend each round of the intervention.
- Coordinate, implement and present the 5-session SISTA curriculum on an ongoing basis in the community.
- Participate in community festivals, health fairs, and other events directed toward African American women.
- Organize and present HIV 101s and other educational programs in the community, including schools, treatment facilities, community centers, and workplaces.
- Attend and participate in coalitions and councils of other service providers, and network with organizations that serve and/or are comprised of the target population.
- Maintain accurate records and document activities in accordance with standards set by the Pierce County AIDS Foundation and funding sources.
- Other related duties as assigned.

## **Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree required in public health, psychology, social work, nursing, or closely related field from a fully accredited college or university. Related work experience may substitute for education up to two years.
- Demonstrated experience, ability and desire to work and identify with African American women under age thirty.
- Outgoing nature and willingness to initiate contact with other providers and community members is a must.
- Basic knowledge of HIV prevention, care and treatment.
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively under stressful conditions with people of varying socioeconomic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, and racial/ethnic backgrounds.
- Ability to work independently with limited supervision.
- Must have reliable car, Washington Driver's license and appropriate insurance.
- Knowledge of community resources and referrals.
- Ability to be flexible, supportive and to work cooperatively with staff as a member of a diverse team.
- Must be able to work flexible hours, including some evenings and weekends.
- Computer proficiency, excellent written and verbal communication skills, and meticulous attention to detail.

## **Salary and Benefits:**

\$14.00 per hour + full benefits package.

## **Position Reports to:**

Lori Bundrock, Prevention Director

## **Hours of work:**

This position is fulltime, and requires flexibility to work weekend and evening hours.

## **How to Apply:**

Completed application form, resume, and cover letter required. Please contact via email, phone or fax for an application form and full job description:

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3520 South Pine Street  
Tacoma, Washington 98409-5703  
Phone: 253-383-2565  
Fax: 253-597-6682

**Applicants invited for an interview** should be prepared to provide reliable information on how to make phone contact with three references, including one former or current supervisor. Those being interviewed should provide proof of highest educational degree completed, and agree to submit to a criminal background check.

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