

Job Description

Position Title: Community Outreach Worker

Direct Supervisor: Project Coordinator, New Roads Program

Job Summary: Responsible for outreach and engagement of youth and young adults to participate in the program. Using evidenced-based intervention methods conduct HIV rapid testing, provide referrals, facilitate individual and group harm reduction, prevention education, recovery readiness, and relapse prevention services and peer leadership training.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Implement outreach plan to reach the target population, i.e., youth or young adults involved with or at risk of involvement with the criminal/juvenile justice system.

Deliver prevention education in community settings where the target population is found (eg community based organizations, juvenile and adult detention facilities, etc).

Distribute information and risk reduction material (e.g. handing out literature, safer sex supplies) to people reached through program outreach.

Assess mental health, HIV status, risk factors and substance use history.

Conduct pre and post test HIV counseling. Administer HIV rapid testing

Facilitate or co-facilitate prevention education and harm reduction services utilizing the Be Proud! Be Responsible! curricula.

Deliver peer leadership training. Support peer leaders in the delivery of community outreach.

Provide information, support, advocacy and referrals to community agencies.

Collect, record and maintain program files. Timely and accurately complete all required reports and forms. Assist supervisor with program reports.

Attend staff and community meetings, as required

Participates in in-service and outside training.

Performs other duties as assigned by supervisor.

Qualification: Commitment to and experience in working with adults and youth with diverse cultural backgrounds who are involved, or at risk of involvement, with the criminal/juvenile justice system, HIV/AIDS, or substance abuse. Bachelor's degree in public health or human services preferred and experience providing HIV prevention services. Strong written/oral communication, presentation and advocacy skills with the ability to negotiate multiple service delivery systems and agencies. Computer literacy (word processing, e-mail, internet research, data entry) required. Bilingual (English/Spanish) preferred.