## SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION SENIOR HEALTH EDUCATION & TESTING SPECIALIST JOB DESCRIPTION

**Scope of Work:** The Senior Health Education & Testing Specialist works on SAAF's Rural Testing and Early Intervention Services (EIS) programs. These programs serve at-risk individuals who participate in the behavioral health system in Pinal County and individuals in Pima County who are interested in HIV Rapid Testing and Education. The SHE&TS will provide HIV rapid and confirmatory testing and linkage to care services alongside health communication and public information sessions that deliver factual information about HIV in southern Arizona. This is a full-time, (40hrs/wk.) non-exempt position. This position requires a significant amount of travel to Pinal County and the ability to work very flexible hours including evenings, weekends and some holidays.

## **Functional Responsibilities:**

- Conduct health education workshops and groups (HIV, Viral Hepatitis, Harm Reduction, etc.) for participants.
- Provides HIV/HCV rapid testing (finger-stick) and referral services.
- Maintain all paperwork including testing files, forms, and databases.
- Assist with evaluation activities.
- Serve as a liaison with collaborating organizations.
- Coordinate scheduling of HIV testing and education activities.
- Provides HIV confirmatory testing (venipuncture), referral to services, and linkage to care.
- Conducts outreach and recruitment in the community
- Collect program data, assist with monthly reports and submit them in a timely manner to the Quality Assurance and Testing Coordinator.
- Work with Quality Assurance and Testing Coordinator to coordinate regional travel arrangements and maintain accurate and up-to-date schedule for program travel.
- Maintain supply inventory and work with Quality Assurance and Testing Coordinator to order supplies as needed.
- Gather and maintain accurate documentation of all activities and events using proper forms, files and databases.
- Attend all program, department and agency meetings and trainings as assigned.
- Work as a team member within the program, department and agency.
- Attend specialized skill-building trainings.
- Perform other duties as assigned.
- Coordinates all program activities in collaboration with the Quality Assurance and Testing Coordinator.
- Reports to the Prevention Quality Assurance and Testing Coordinator.

## **Minimum Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree in social services or health-related field or 1 year work experience in sexual health, HIV/AIDS prevention, substance abuse prevention, risk reduction/harm reduction techniques and/or other health-related issues.
- Demonstrate a comprehension and appreciation of diverse and complex cultures.
- Ability to exercise and demonstrate compassion and non-judgment when working with program participants.
- Readiness to be trained (if needed) and to then perform required phlebotomy-related venipunctures for confirmatory testing.
- Responsible, dependable, energetic self-starter who is able to work independently as well as in a team environment.
- Must be comfortable in a variety of community settings (including gay bars & rural communities).
- Excellent interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills.
- Access to a reliable vehicle, a valid AZ Driver's License and a driving record that will be supported by our liability insurance provider.

## **Preferred Qualifications:**

- Bilingual (English/Spanish).
- Phlebotomy or venipuncture training or experience.
- Experience working with adults with a history of substance use.
- Computer literate, especially familiarity with Microsoft Office software.
- Teaching/group facilitation skills.

<u>Compensation</u>: Starting wage of \$16.20 an hour; benefits include health, dental, and life insurance; longand short-term disability insurance.

<u>To apply:</u> Submit letter of interest, resume with dates of employment, and names, addresses, and phone numbers of three professional references to: Director of HR, Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation, 375 S Euclid Ave., Tucson, AZ 85719, email to <a href="mailto:hr@saaf.org">hr@saaf.org</a> or visit <a href="www.saaf.org">www.saaf.org</a>.

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**Start date:** As soon as possible