EverThrive Illinois works to improve the health of women, children, and families over the lifespan through community engagement, partnerships, policy analysis, education, and advocacy.

Internship Announcement – Intern, Immunization Initiative

The Immunization Initiative is a broad-based coalition of public and private sector organizations working together to increase immunization rates and prevent diseases over the life span by promoting the delivery of safe, effective, and timely immunizations.

As an intern with the Immunization Initiative you will work closely with the Manager, Senior Coordinator, and Public Health Associate to focus on increasing immunization rates and decreasing the incidence of vaccine-preventable disease across the lifespan. Your projects will focus on assisting with curriculum development, identifying best practices, and assisting with the development of a communications and policy plan.

The Immunization Initiative Intern Responsibilities will include:

- Research content specific best practice information related to immunization
- Assist in the development of workshop curriculums around immunizations whose target audience will be parents, community workers, and providers
- Maintain and track all relevant resources cited in creation of the curriculums
- Provide support in the creation of outreach strategies to target audiences outside of Cook County
- Research and assist in developing a social media campaign plan for obtaining and capturing immunization related stories
- Assist in the writing and development of an immunization focused newsletter
- Assist in establishing an online community engagement plan in support of vaccination
- Other projects as assigned

Learning Objectives:

- To gain experience in curriculum development
- To strengthen written communication skills (specifically related to difficult public health messaging, and the ability to craft population specific messaging for social media and print materials)
- To identify the strengths and weaknesses of various approaches to community engagement and public health messaging
- To strengthen time management skills
- To enhance problem solving skills
- To gain experience working within a team
- To increase knowledge about immunizations and communicable diseases and how they impact communities

Requirements and Qualifications:

- Interest in public health or community health
- Well-developed writing and analytical skills
- Strong reading comprehension skills
- Proficiency in computers and Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Self-motivated and able to work both independently and as part of a team
- Creativity and tenacity in achieving objectives
- Strong oral and written communications skills
- Strong research skills
- Detail oriented
- Experience in lesson planning or curriculum development a plus

Timeframe:

Start date of May or early June 2017. Internship will last until mid to late August 2017. Start and end date are flexible.

How to apply:

Please send a resume and cover letter to resume@everthriveil.org, Subject Line: Application for Intern, Immunizations Initiative. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

No phone calls please.