

NNCC Public Health Project Internship

Project Title: Building Tools to Support Health Centers

Position Type: Paid internship; Special Payroll

To Apply: Send resume and cover letter to Emily Kane: ekane@phmc.org

Brief Overview of Project's Background and Significance

The National Nurse-Led Care Consortium is a membership organization that advocates with and for nurse leaders and the patients that they serve throughout the country. This project includes work that will create a framework for use among emergency health care personnel and will inform the development of emergency preparedness trainings for health center staff. Through a National Training and Technical Assistance Partner grant, NNCC's training and technical assistance staff consult with health centers around advancing the quality and availability of health care to residents of public housing. Literature reviews, UDS data analysis, research, and public health theory will inform the final deliverables to ensure a research-backed product.

Project Goals

- To conduct literature review of chronic stress and its implications for health outcomes among special and vulnerable populations like residents of public housing
- To design a resource for organizational partners and clinicians to explore the intersection of tobacco and opioid use disorder and how their treatment can address both
- To review UDS data, conduct research and interviews to quantify the scope of nurse-managed health clinics (NMHCs) nationwide and delineate the shared characteristics of NMHCs
- To synthesize the findings of DHHS' *Viral Hepatitis National Strategic Plan: A Roadmap to Elimination for the United States* and related promising practices for use in a learning series
- To support the execution of deliverables for a federal grant

Research and Student Learning Goals

- Use appropriate qualitative and quantitative mixed-methods for community-oriented research design
- Conduct community engaged public health research that recognizes intersectional perspectives from theory in response to multidimensional processes
- Create an infographic to demonstrate the prevalence, function, and impact of nurse-managed health centers nationwide
- Compare the organization, structure, and function of health care and public health systems across national settings
- Discuss the means by which structural bias, social inequities, and racism undermine health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community, and societal levels

Student's Responsibilities

- Student is expected to conduct satisfactory literature reviews that support the work
- Student will be required to work the number of hours established by preceptor
- Student will communicate progress throughout the length of the project

Preceptor's/Site's Responsibility

- Provide access to data resources and other necessary materials
- Meet with student to outline expectations

Project Timeline

September / October 2021

- Identify ILE opportunities that match interests
- Write cover letters and update resume as appropriate for use when applying to positions
- Apply to intern positions on projects that meet goals / interests
- Interview for positions
- Communicate with project managers on expectations and deliverables

November 2021

- Start work with National Nurse-Led Care Consortium
- Meet with preceptor about goals of project
- Analyze and draw takeaways from nationwide strategic plan for hepatitis elimination to be paired with promising practices from community health centers for transmission to public health professionals, primary care providers, and management personnel in a learning environment
- Review resources and conduct research to build out of framework
- Review UDS data

December 2021

- Meet with preceptor about project, communicate progress
- Create framework for interviews of nurse-managed health centers and develop interview plan with support of preceptor
- Begin review of information used to create deliverables
- Collect research on chronic stress in community health center patient population

January-February 2022

- Meet with preceptor about project, communicate progress
- Prepare literature review of promising practices for joint treatment of tobacco and opioid use disorder
- Support distribution of research to organizational partners for review and feedback.
- Collaborate with NNCC team to review partners' feedback and revise infographic as needed.
- Create infographic on of nurse-managed health clinics (NMHCs)

March 2022

- Submit final deliverables
- Present findings / work