



Job title	<i>Health Educator/ Outreach Specialist</i>
Reports to	<i>Health Education Coordinator</i>
Salary	\$16-\$18/hr
Status	Full Time, non-exempt

SAAF Mission

The San Antonio AIDS Foundation seeks to reduce HIV transmission, provide support and treatment for those living with HIV, reduce stigma and support positive sexual health. SAAF provides sexual health education, STI and HIV testing and counseling, medical care, case management, housing and meal support, mental health services and referrals for dental health. Access to care and early intervention have a significant impact on the health and well-being of people living with HIV.

Position

Education (50%)

The Health Educator will provide HIV/STI community health education to the public. This includes presentations at schools to students in 6th – 12th grades, colleges, universities, community groups, adult probation and other organizations.

Outreach (50%)

The Outreach Specialist will work with the Outreach Coordinator to establish partnerships for offsite testing. The Outreach Specialist will deliver comprehensive high-impact HIV prevention services including targeted testing, evidence-based interventions, condom distribution, and essential support services for sexual health promotion and prevention activities.

This position demands a high level of cultural competency of the unique needs of the gender and sexually diverse community, communities of color, and other marginalized populations.

Duties and responsibilities

Education

- Provide HIV/STI presentations in school districts, rehabilitation/recovery centers throughout San Antonio and surrounding areas.
- Assist in development of educational materials for the program when needed.
- Provide HIV Awareness classes for all SAAF staff, volunteers, and those that are court ordered.
- Assist with tracking education program statistics, data entry, ensuring data is correct and entered in a timely manner.
- Represent program and agency at Task Force, Advisory Board, Community Planning events, and health fairs.

Outreach

- Engage target population in a variety of settings where testing will be conducted to effectively identify high risk populations
- Community engagement, program promotion and recruitment and large-scale testing events
- Integrated screening activities in conjunction with HIV testing
- Perform rapid and confirmatory HIV/STI testing based on CLIA standards and report all results based on local, state, and federal according to reporting laws
- Conduct street outreach activities to target population and provide prevention, education, and testing services.
- Implement condom distribution to increase access and availability to persons throughout the community
- Perform other duties as assigned.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in health or related field **OR** High School Diploma/GED and at least two years' experience in public health, HIV services, or substance use care
- Work experience with adolescents, experience with adolescents on probation and inmates is helpful
- Community health education and public speaking experience preferred, preference for candidates with knowledge of HIV
- Must have a current Texas driver's license and regular access to a vehicle. Proof of current auto insurance to include both collision and general liability coverage must be maintained on file.

Experience/Skills/Knowledge:

- Strong interpersonal and communication skills and the ability to work effectively with a wide range of populations in a diverse community.
- Skill in use of personal computers and related software applications, including e-mail.
- Familiar with local community and ability to project a positive image and trusted as a source of information in the community
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively and sensitively in a multicultural environment with individuals of gender and sexual diversity, individuals with substance use disorder and those experiencing homelessness

Continuing Education:

- Continuing education in HIV, STIs, HCV, LGBTQ+ and diversity programs are required annually.

Working conditions

While schedule includes normal business hours, a portion of the 40-hour work week will include evening and weekend hours for outreach events.

Job Description

This role routinely uses standard office equipment such as computers, phones, photocopiers, filing cabinets and fax machines. Testing requires use of medical equipment. Position may require standing for long hours.

Physical requirements

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is occasionally required to stand, walk and sit. The employee must occasionally lift or move up to 30 pounds.

As SAAF works daily with clients who may be immunocompromised, evidence of COVID-19 vaccination is required.

Employee Signature

Date

Director Signature

Date