Exponents: Ending the Epidemic Program (ETEP) Peer

Our Ending the Epidemic initiative is funded through City Council Discretionary funding and administered through Public Health Solutions. The intent and mission of the program is to identify and connect high-risk young gay/bisexual men and transgender women of color to services that allow them to prevent HIV infection (e.g. PrEP/PEP initiation, supportive counseling, etc.)

Exponents seeks a qualified individuals to assist ETE staff in many aspects of program operations. Exponents will assist interested peers with completion of the NYS HIV Peer Certification or Certified Peer Recovery Advocate (CRPA) process if candidate doesn't possess certification.

ETE Peer responsibilities and qualifications are listed below:

Responsibilities include:

- Conducting informational tabling and outreach at venues identified and engaged by program management with input from our Visioning Board & Queer Youth Advisory Board (Q-YAB) members.
- Assisting with informing and routing potential participants to appropriate service providers
- Peer co-facilitation of workshops/ on substance use prevention/elimination or harm reduction activities, the impact of mental wellness, HIV Prevention & Treatment, HIV Testing, STIs, PrEP/PEP Navigation and Linkage to Care.
- Providing accompaniment to program clients to appointments made in partnership with the participant to assess a range of referrals including medical services.

Peer Mentor Qualifications:

- Completion of (or willingness to complete) the ARRIVE training (2012 or after) which focuses on HIV prevention, safer sex, recovery readiness and harm reduction.
- H.S. diploma or equivalent;
- Must have a strong interest in working with members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities.
- Knowledge of/membership within the young gay/bisexual male or transgender women of color community
- Must have excellent communication skills
- Must have excellent interpersonal skills
- Ability to work some late nights and weekends

P/T

\$10.00/hour; 15hrs/wkly

<u>To apply:</u> Please send resume to Donald R. Powell, Sr. Director of Programs & Development: dpowell@exponents.org. In addition, all applicants must write a personal statement in lieu of a cover letter addressing why they are passionate about working with the populations mentioned and how this work would relate to their future career aspirations. Please send personal statement to Mr. Powell as well: dpowell@exponents.org

Agency Description:

Exponents is a multi-service organization residing in the heart of New York City compassionately dedicated to serving those impacted by HIV/AIDS, substance use, incarceration and behavioral health challenges. We deliver these services through a client-centered, strength-based approach which

greatly improves health outcomes and promotes overall wellness in our communities.