INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION

Agency: Mother & Child Health Coalition (MCHC)

Position name: Prenatal and Baby-Friendly Hospital Internship Position

Overview of the program:
The Metro KC Breastfeeding Collaborative works with community partners to increase breastfeeding initiation and duration rates in the bi-state KC area.

Overview of the internship: Data collection and information sharing related to prenatal breastfeeding education and Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative benefits to KC area obstetric practices and birthing hospitals.

The intern will provide assistance to the Coalition Coordinator to:
- Create an Excel database of obstetrician offices in the metro area and the status of their provisions of breastfeeding-related information to their patients prenatally
- Inform obstetricians’ offices about the benefits of prenatal breastfeeding education and the support of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
- Contact birthing hospitals in the KC area and record information in an Excel database of their Baby-Friendly status/interest

Benefits of an Internship with MCHC:
- The intern will have numerous opportunities to learn about and network with over 200 health and social service agencies.
- The intern will learn about pressing issues facing the Kansas City metropolitan area and opportunities to address them on the local, regional and state level.
- The intern will meet with MCHC’s partners and assist in regional and local initiatives in the area of infant mortality reductions within the scope of work within public health, health care, and/or workforce development
- The intern will learn about working with a nonprofit organization, and will learn about the culture of nonprofits.
Minimum Qualifications:
- Must be highly organized with the ability to multi-task and meet deadlines
- Well-developed interpersonal & communication skills
- Proficient in MS Word, Excel, Access, and Outlook
- Professional appearance and demeanor
- Customer service skills
- Ability to effectively gather information via telephone in a professional manner
- Ability to document appointment scheduling outcomes
- Familiarity with the prenatal/postpartum and newborn population
- Must have reliable transportation

When are these positions offered?
- Start date: Open
- End date: Open
- Hours: (internships are typically arranged to accommodate intern’s needs.) Flexible; generally M-F 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Location: 2340 East Meyer Blvd., Building 1, Ste. 216 Kansas City MO 64132
Pay/ Stipend: Unpaid
Travel: Limited travel within the 5-county metro KC area.
Transportation – is a car required? Yes
Application deadlines: Open
Contact information: Submit résumé and letter of interest via: info@mchc.net or telephone Paul Cesare at 816-283-6242 X239.

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