Agency: Missouri Family Health Council (MFHC)
Department name: n/a

Overview of the program:

Missouri Family Health Council, a private nonprofit organization based in Jefferson City, champions access for every individual to culturally sensitive, quality, sexual and reproductive health education and services by developing and managing family planning and related preventive reproductive health programs. MFHC allocates $4.3M in Title X funding to 75 clinic sites via 19 subrecipients throughout the state. Missouri’s diverse Title X network consists of health departments, federally qualified health centers, community action agencies, hospitals, nonprofits, and affiliates of Planned Parenthood. Title X funds are granted to MFHC through the Office of Population Affairs. Please join us on www.mfhc.org to learn more.

Overview of the internship:

MFHC is partnering with the Missouri Foundation for Health for the project entitled, "Systems Science and Group Model Building in Family Planning and Reproductive Health". This grant funded project uses group model building methods to examine the family planning and reproductive health system in Missouri. Findings will be used to inform changes to existing policies and practices, suggest new policies or practices that improve service delivery and health outcomes, and identify indicators for evidence-based planning and implementation.

Students will be trained in Group Model Building theory, which is a process that allows that allows individuals to work as teams to express their perceptions of a problem. This encourages groups to explore the causes of specific issues and strive to find solutions to them. Work will include the analysis of behavior over time graphs and causal loop diagrams. The data will be compiled from six group model building training sessions into a program
called Vensim PLE. These sessions will take place with Title X clinics around Missouri, partners, and policy makers.

- When are these positions offered?
  - Start date: June 1, 2016
  - End date: August 15, 2016
  - Hours required (internships are typically 360 hours total): 345-360 hours

- Location: On-site Vs Off-site
- Pay/Stipend: 12.00 an hour
- Travel? Travel is not required.
- Transportation – is a car required? Intern must be able to get to and from MFHC. Some work could be done remotely.
- Housing – if outside of Columbia MO, is housing available? Housing is not available.

- Any additional qualifications needed?
  Master's level student from the schools of Public Health. Students must have experience in evaluation, data analysis, or research methods.

- Application deadlines: April 15, 2016

- Contact information:
  Please send resume and inquiries to:

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