

Position Title: Prevention Educator (full-time, non-exempt)

Reports to: Director of Community Strategy

Salary Range: \$50,000-\$55,000 commensurate with experience

Location: In-person/Work from Home Options/Schools & Community partner locations across

the Northwest Suburbs

Northwest Center Against Sexual Assault

NWCASA is a local rape crisis center governed by the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault. As a nonprofit organization, our mission is to empower individuals impacted by sexual harm and engage communities to end sexual violence. We are dedicated to the empowerment of communities who have experienced sexual violence. Our agency provides the following services; crisis intervention via a 24-hour crisis hotline, medical and legal advocacy, counseling, and prevention education. We serve the Northwest Suburbs of Cook County as well as McHenry County. We have served the needs of our community for 50 years and continue to do impactful work towards ending sexual violence.

Role of a Prevention Educator

Through NWCASA, the Prevention Educator is responsible for conducting primary prevention strategies with the goal of creating spaces in which activism, social norms, and rape culture are challenged to prevent sexual violence. This is done through educational programming in schools K-12, at the collegiate level, and in community settings. Our Prevention Educators use CDC best practices and models to create curriculum and programs fitting the needs of the communities we serve. We do this work from a progressive public health orientation to espouse values of being feminist, anti-racist, and victim-centered with the recognition of structural violence, and the intersections of oppression in survivor identities and communities.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree, in applicable field
- Bilingual Spanish preferred
- Experience in crisis intervention preferred
- Knowledge of sexual assault and sex positive education

- Fluency in speaking, writing, and providing sexual violence prevention education in the English language (Fluent in Spanish, speaking and writing preferred)
- Knowledge of anti-oppression frameworks
 - Ability to sensitively support those impacted by sexual violence and their significant others
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Excellent public speaking and non-punitive classroom management skills
- Applicant must have valid driver's license and own mode of transportation
- Must complete ICASA'S 40-hour sexual assault crisis worker training

Responsibilities:

- Develop and implement sex positive, inclusive, medically accurate curriculum, for sexual violence prevention education and or training to schools and community partners
- Conduct awareness promotion of education and training services in school and community settings
- Collaborate with fellow prevention educator(s), advocates, and counseling staff
- Support the creation and ongoing development of various assigned professional trainings within the agency
- Plan and facilitate community mobilization and social justice activism efforts consistent with NWCASA's programming and funding requirements
- Participate in different coalitions related to gender-based violence.
- Perform outreach to other service providers, agencies, and inform them of NWCASA's services, provide referrals, and collaborate when appropriate
- Provide crisis intervention services on site as needed
- Participate on rotation with NWCASA staff for weekend and holiday shifts on 24/7 crisis hotline that provides telephone crisis counseling and in-person response to hospital emergency rooms
- Maintain comprehensive scheduling records and document activities
- Maintain client confidentiality as required by law, professional code of ethics
- Work with community partners to create safe spaces for sensitive conversations regarding gender-based violence
- Complete monthly reports and service documentation requirements, per funding source
- Utilize pre and posttest evaluations to drive programming and modify programming to fit the needs of the community based on data
- Participate in meetings/trainings for local and statewide sexual assault coalitions, institutional partners, and other agencies, as assigned.
- Follow policies and procedures contained in the NWCASA Policy and Procedure Manual
- Work collaboratively in a team and independently
- Collaborate with Prevention Education Coordinator to schedule attendance and coverage at our events/teaching opportunities

- Flexible scheduling to accommodate community needs
- Support social media efforts
 - Perform other duties as assigned

Northwest CASA is an equal opportunity employer that values inclusivity of all cultures, gender identities, sexual orientations, and people with differing abilities.

Please submit resume to mcarvajal@nwcasa.org

