

TOIYABE INDIAN HEALTH PROJECT, INC.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION: Community Health Representative (CHR) **SALARY RANGE:** TSS 5

WORK STATION: Bishop

SUPERVISOR: PHN/Public Health Director

NON-EXEMPT

POSITION SUMMARY: Under qualified direction, assist with identifying health problems of Native American patients; educate individuals, families and groups about health and assist with health care under the direction of health professionals to meet these needs.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. High school diploma or equivalent.
2. Must have good communication skills.
3. Possess a valid drivers license, insurable with company insurance and pursue a Class B license for transports.
4. Must be willing to undertake a three-week CHR basic training course after a successful probationary period.
5. CPR and First Aid certification within three months of hire.
6. Must be sensitive and possess an awareness and keen appreciation of Indian traditions, customs, and socioeconomic needs of the Indian community.
7. American Indian preference in accordance with Indian Preference Act (Title 25, U.S. Code, § 472 & 473).

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Make home visits routinely, making the client the focus of the visit (on emergency basis as needed), taking and recording vital signs.
2. Maintains a file of all eligible Native American clients in their geographical service area.
3. Assists with medical regime under supervision of LVN or PHN, follow care plans and maintain records of all encounters.
4. Acts as client advocate identifying and document health, social and economic needs of the communities while identifying individual eligibility for third-party benefits and assisting with application.
5. Provides basic health education stressing preventive aspects of health. Interprets instructions from assigned provider (physician, nurse, etc.) to help the family understand. Knows signs and symptoms of diseases and assists the family in identification of illness and social problems.
6. Under Toiyabe's Transportation Guidelines, helps arrange transportation to the Clinic, hospital or other agencies as needed. Responsible for the maintenance of clinic vehicle as assigned.
7. Assists with newborn home assessment and post-partum visits.
8. Assists with prescribed medication, pickup, delivery and education of medication.
9. Assist as Medical Aide in the clinic setting, on an as-needed basis, under the supervision of the providers.

10. Attends all assigned educational programs and conferences as well as Clinic sponsored in-service training.
11. Attends regularly scheduled Clinic and departmental meetings.
12. Participates in Clinic sponsored community education programs and screenings.
13. Observes all Clinic policies and procedures including that of **utmost confidentiality** regarding client information.
14. Assists with the surveillance of communicable disease and follow-up referrals pertaining to immunizations, with a report to the LVN or PHN.
15. Other job related duties as assigned.

Job Description Reviewed: Employee: _____ **Date:** _____

Supervisor: _____ **Date:** _____