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Job Opportunities 5/03/2019

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Job Title/Job #:	Linkage Navigator Full time 37.5 hours per week (Job 2829) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The primary goal of the Linkage Navigator is to link <i>Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)</i> and/or <i>Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)</i> positive individuals who have not received care in the previous six months back into medical care. In addition, the incumbent will guide these individuals through the re-entry to care process. The incumbent will help identify out-of-care HIV positive individuals in the Care Coordinator Program and be responsible for reinitiating contact with them and linking them to eligible services. The incumbent will assist in getting newly diagnosed HIV positive individuals into treatment, when necessary. The Linkage Navigator will assess the psychosocial needs of each client and link the client to other appropriate health care and social services, as well to the client's HIV provider and care coordinator. This position will act as a liaison to HIV primary care, medical and other core and support services. In addition, the incumbent will provide disease investigation, partner services and linkage to care for individuals newly diagnosed with HIV and/or syphilis.
Department:	Public Health/Infectious Disease
Status/Pay:	Salary Grade 6, \$20.00 per hour
Reports To:	Team Leader Infectious Disease
Summary Description:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides linkage to care service to clients infected by HIV/AIDS disease ensuring HIV infected individuals are connected to medical care. Uses available resources to locate and track disposition of clients who are identified as "out of care" by the state or provider of HIV clinical services via a defined process for follow-up. Provides linkage to Care Coordinator case management services for clients who have fallen out of care and maintains assigned caseload. Provides linkage to social services, assess client needs and link to appropriate Mental Health, Substance Abuse Services, or Syringe Exchange Programs. Assesses barriers to receiving treatment services and works with the Care Coordinator program to overcome the barriers and get patients into care. Locates, refers, and potentially accompanies patients who have been newly diagnosed or lost to care to their first appointment for engagement in HIV care services. Provides disease intervention and partner services to clients newly infected with HIV and/or syphilis. Facilitates linkage of HIV positive clients to the Care Coordinator Program. Analyzes epidemiologic factors of HIV/AIDS cases; recognizes problems, and conducts necessary follow-up measures to improve case management. Provides pre-test and post-test counseling for individuals seeking testing for HIV. Performs phlebotomy duties to include finger stick or venipuncture for associated disease testing.

Summary**Requirements:**

Bachelor's degree (BSW or other closely related health or social work field) or equivalent from an accredited college or university with one (1) year of relevant experience; OR an Associate's degree plus four (4) yrs experience; OR HS or GED plus seven (7) yrs experience. An advanced degree in Social Work (Certified MSW) or Mental Health Counseling may substitute for the 1 year of related experience. Training in blood borne pathogens, phlebotomy, HIV pre-test and post-test counseling (within 6 months of appointment), and the Passport to Partner Services Course required within one year of appointment. *Background check.*

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