

Organization: Maine Mobile Health Program

Organization Location: 9 Green St, Augusta, ME 04332

Work Location: In-person

About the Organization: The Maine Mobile Health Program is a community health center and our state's only farmworker health organization. Our collaborative model involves folks who carry the commitment to make a difference in the lives of Maine's farmworkers. By linking agricultural workers to care and resources, we aim to reduce health disparities and inequities of access for people working in this industry. Putting fruits and vegetables on ALL of our tables is not only vital work; it positively impacts our collective health. Our mission is to improve the health status of Maine's seasonal workers and their families by providing culturally appropriate care and services. Our target population comprises Maine's seasonal and migrant farmworkers and their families. In 2023, MMHP served 975 patients, where over 99% of our patients were racial or ethnic minorities, with 59% identifying as Hispanic or Latino and 80% black or African American. 79% of our patients are best served in a language other than English. 93% of patients are at or Below 100% of the Federal Poverty Guideline, and 99% are at or Below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guideline. 94% of our patients are uninsured.

Internship Title: Maine Mobile Health

Number of Positions Available: 1

Internship Description: We are seeking summer intern to work as Community Health Workers around the state of Maine. Community Health Worker (CHW):

A trained and trusted public health worker who is respected by the people served and applies his/her unique understanding of the experience, socio-economic needs, language and/or culture of the communities served to:

- Act as a bridge between providers and individuals to promote health, reduce disparities, and improve service delivery; and
- Advocate for individual and community needs

The CHW Intern is responsible for extending the reach of MMHP services in the communities where they live. The CHW Intern engages community members around their health needs and local resources, serves as a cultural broker for program services, supports patients in accessing health care, empowers patients to develop skills for navigating the health system, and teaches patients how to adopt healthy behaviors. The CHW Intern works closely with clinical staff and other CHWs responsible in the coordination and delivery of medical services to patients, including mobile clinics settings. The majority of work will occur within the community.

In addition to staffing mobile clinics and care coordination, the CHW Intern will complete a specialty project as part of their internship.

The CHW Intern must provide service to patients in various locations (work sites, patient housing, medical offices, community settings) when patients are available (evening hours and potentially some weekends).

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities and Qualifications: Bilingual Spanish or Haitian Creole preferred

Rate of Pay: \$18/hr

Time Commitment: flexible

Other logistics to consider: Some overnight travel required around the state

Please note: Internships **do not provide housing. Housing is the student's responsibility upon acceptance of an internship offer, unless otherwise stated in the above description.*