



Community Engagement Coordinator Job Description

POSITION: Community Engagement Coordinator

ORGANIZATION: Columbia University Irving Medical Center / Icahn SOM at Mount Sinai

About the TRIUMPH Study:

The TRIUMPH Study (TRAnsformIng YoUr Mental Health Through Prayer and Healing) is a five-year R01 grant study funded by the NIMH. This study employs church-based Community Health Workers (CHWs) to compare the effectiveness of Screening Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) vs. Enhanced Usual Care (EUC) on depression and anxiety treatment engagement (www.letstriumphtogether.com).

We aim to work with 30 Black churches and 60 CHWs to provide depression and anxiety screenings and referral to care for individuals aged 18 years or older who live in the five boroughs of New York City or Mount Vernon.

Position Description:

As a Community Outreach Coordinator, you will represent the TRIUMPH study and support the building of relationships with participating churches across New York City. You will also support and contribute to the development and implementation of initiatives that increase the visibility of the study within those respective communities.

You will need to be self-motivated, enthusiastic, and community-driven to take on this exciting role. This position requires someone equipped with a positive attitude and readiness to be a team player. The appropriate candidate must have a solid understanding of the social, economic, and political forms of oppression that impact historically marginalized groups.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Support the planning and implementation of community screening activities to increase study enrollment numbers and to educate community members about the study
- Screen community members for depressive and anxiety symptoms with study screener to determine study eligibility
- Consent eligible community members for study participation
- Support virtual and in-person relationship management with community partners, church leadership, and community members at participating churches
- Assist with the implementation of social media strategies across platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube

Qualified Candidates Will Also:

- Be knowledgeable and experienced working with faith-based, urban, and African American communities
- Have exceptional communication and interpersonal skills; and the ability to adapt communication styles
- Be available to attend evening and weekend community events
- Be experienced and comfortable working with people from diverse racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds
- Be familiar with the socio-cultural factors (e.g., racism) that contribute to health disparities, with a specific focus on those affecting African American communities
- Have experience engaging people virtually and in-person
- Have knowledge and experience with social media platforms and websites
- Treat fellow community members with professional courtesy, patience, and respect

Desired Educational Qualifications

- Must have completed a bachelor's degree in Public Health, Psychology, Social Work or related field at an accredited U.S. college or university
- Have at least one year of work experience; focus on community engagement and outreach a plus
- Applicants with an equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered

To Apply

To apply please email your cover letter and resume to Catherine Squirewell, Program Manager of the TRIUMPH Study, at catherine.squirewell@mountsinai.org. We strongly encourage individuals from diverse racial and cultural backgrounds, including those with personal or professional involvement in marginalized communities, to apply. A strong preference will be given to candidates with lived experience.