

Volunteer Opportunity

<p>Job Title: Youth Ambassador –Youth Ambassadorship Program</p> <p>Job Posting # YA-YAP-2017</p>	<p>Date Posted: Monday October 3th, 2017</p> <p>Date Closed: Friday, October 27th, 2017</p>	<p>Report To: Youth Ambassadorship Project Coordinator</p> <p>Position Type: Volunteer – Part Time</p>
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Internal and External Job Posting

About Position:

Punjabi Community Health Services (PCHS) and Social Services Network (SSN) are looking for Youth Ambassadors (ages 15-24) who are interested in working with youth to promote mental health and who are willing to engage in the community (York Region). Successful candidates will provide information about mental health to community members by presenting on various topics in schools, community centres and in other community settings. Youth Ambassadors must be professional and willing to learn about mental health and how it affects the South Asian population in the York region. Youth Ambassadors are required to complete a year long commitment for this position, with a minimum of 5 volunteer hours per month. Once this is accomplished successful Youth Ambassadors will receive a certification of completion for the program. Volunteer hours can go towards community hours for high school students.

Qualifications:

- Must be between ages 15-24
- Must be able to attend trainings and monthly meetings
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Strong ability to work independently and on a team
- Must have some knowledge about mental illness
- Must have good presentation skills or willing to learn
- Enthusiastic problem solver, grounded in positive conflict resolution and goal setting practice
- Proficient computer skills including MS Office and Outlook
- Knowledge of any second language in relation to community demographics
- A satisfactory Vulnerable Sector Screening (Police Check) report
- Current CPR/First Aid certification or is willing to get one
- Ability to work flexible hours including evening hours

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Responsibilities:

- Participating in training sessions and monthly meetings:
 - a. Mental Health Training
 - b. Peer Support Training
 - c. Suicide Prevention/Self Harm Training
 - d. Presentation Skills Training
 - e. Presentation Day!
 - f. Attend monthly meetings
- To learn about the relation between mental health and the South Asian youth population
- Participant in community engagement (in schools, community centres etc)
- Provide information and knowledge about mental health and support systems to the community
- To be professional while engaging the community
- Work on a mental health forum with co-ordinator and other youth ambassadors
- Complete 5 volunteer hours per month (can complete more hours if wish to)

Recruitment Criteria Checklist

This checklist outlines the expectations of Youth Ambassadors. In order to be eligible for the peer support worker position, you must be able to comply with **ALL** of the following requirements.

- ☐ Are you between the ages of 15-24?
- ☐ Willing to participate in community engagement
- ☐ Can you commit to a minimum of 1 year in this position?
 - ☐ Commit to 5 hours per month
- ☐ Can you commit to the following per month:
 - ☐ 1 monthly meeting
 - ☐ 5 training sessions (in beginning months)
- ☐ Can you send required documentation after community engagement either same day or following day:
- ☐ Can you uphold PCHS policies about professionalism and confidentiality?

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Hours: afternoon/evenings and sometimes weekends work is required

Position to commence: Monday, October 30th, 2017

Please submit resume by to the Hiring Committee

E-mail: ngrewal@socialservicesnetwork.org

Please add Job posting # YA-YAP-2017 to the email subject line and cover letter

We appreciate the interest of all applicants, but only those under consideration will be contacted for an interview. **No phone calls or emails please**

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