

Research Officer – Saskatchewan Alliance for Youth and Community Well-being (SAYCW)

The Saskatchewan Alliance for Youth and Community Well-being supports schools and communities to learn about the health and well-being of their youth, and helps schools and communities connect with stakeholders and resources, so that together, they can act on opportunities to improve youth health and well-being. The Research Officer will support multiple SAYCW Working Groups in their efforts to inform, engage, empower and mobilize schools and communities to take health promoting action. This initiative is led by the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency, in collaboration with over 30 diverse organizations in Saskatchewan.

Overview:

The Research Officer will provide survey design, statistical analysis, data interpretation, report and manuscript writing throughout the initiative. The Research Officer will be involved in all epidemiological aspects of the survey cycle including literature review, selecting appropriate designs, indicator development, data gathering, data analysis and interpretation, as well as knowledge translation. The Research Officer must be able to conduct multiple tasks, meet timelines, and will be required to work both independently and as a member of a highly educated team. The Research Officer will report to the Project Manager and work collaboratively with the SAYCW Steering Committee, Working Groups, and school and community stakeholders, including First Nations and Métis authorities.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities:

- Participates in project design, goal setting, selection and development of SAYCW survey procedures, in collaboration with the Working Group.
- Develops, conducts, analyzes, and interprets SAYCW surveys, in collaboration with the Working Group.
- Performs proper statistical analyses on collected data (descriptive analyses, logistic regression, etc.), and writes reports and manuscripts for and in collaboration with SAYCW Steering Committee, Working Groups, as well as partners and stakeholders.
- Coordinates survey administration for SAYCW survey cycles.
- Disseminates and distributes results of SAYCW analytic work and recommendations through internal and external presentations, reports and manuscripts.
- Documents the development and implementation processes of SAYCW survey cycles.
- Assesses and synthesizes literature in the field of study.
- Participates on SAYCW Working Groups/Committees as required.
- Maintains confidentiality of all information collected.

Education and Experience:

- Academic training at a Master's degree level in epidemiology, community health or in other related fields; experienced in using epidemiological techniques, and knowledge of survey methods, indicator development, and knowledge translation.
- Proficiency in using statistical analytical packages (i.e., SAS, STATA, or SPSS) and Microsoft Office suite of software.
- Knowledge of risk factor surveillance would be an asset.

Term: Full Time for a one-year term; potential for renewal.

Starting date: As soon as possible

Location: University of Saskatchewan

Compensation: Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience; benefits included.

Applications will be accepted until June 30, 2017 or until the position is filled. Please submit application by email, complete with cover letter, resume and three (3) references to:

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