

Health Educator Job Description

Immunize Colorado is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to elevating the essential role vaccines play in preventing illness and promoting health for all of Colorado.

Our Mission: At Immunize Colorado, we work to protect Colorado families, schools, and communities from vaccine-preventable diseases. We achieve our mission through six core program areas: public policy, provider education, free and low cost vaccines, community outreach and awareness, data translation and action, and coalition building.

Position

Part-time; 4+ hours per week for 10 months (ending July 1, 2025).

Supervisor: Program Director

Salary: \$35 per hour Eligible for Benefits: No

Work Schedule

Variable – often weekends and evenings. This position does not have a set work schedule. It will require giving a total of 20 Motivational Interviewing trainings, some of which may take 4 hours total, and others which may take multiple days including travel. Scheduling can be very flexible to best meet the Health Educator's needs. A minimum of 4 hours per week are guaranteed, and many weeks will exceed this. On weeks without a training scheduled, the minimum of 4 hours may include staff meetings, administrative tasks, or attending additional community events. This position will require travel within the state of Colorado. All travel expenses will be reimbursed.

Position Overview

The Health Educator will facilitate an existing 2-hour, peer-reviewed Motivational Interviewing (MI) training to various groups across Colorado including students, vaccine advocates, healthcare workers, front office staff, physicians, nurses, and pharmacists. The training is highly interactive, requiring a skilled facilitator who can encourage meaningful participation and support participants in deep discussion. It incorporates best practices in adult learning and will be given in in-person and / or virtual formats. Approximately 20 trainings will be given, with 16 of these happening in Denver's Front Range and four (4) happening elsewhere in the state. This position will require a significant amount of travel and in-person interaction. The individual in this position will also attend community events on behalf of Immunize Colorado to educate the public on the value of vaccines.

Minimum Required Skills and Qualifications

- At least one year of proven health education experience (can be through employment or an academic setting)
- Excellent organizational, verbal, and written communication skills
- Self-starter with ability to work independently, problem solve, propose new ideas, and multitask
- Ability to travel, occasionally overnight, throughout Colorado for training facilitation (Most trainings will be local to the Denver Metro area, but some will be statewide.)
- Must have a personal vehicle, valid drivers' license, ability to drive, and proof of vehicle insurance
- Knowledge of and demonstrated commitment to health equity
- Skilled in Microsoft Office suite and Zoom, and comfortable using new media and conference technology
- Experience presenting to groups of 10 or more people
- Must be an excellent communicator, with skills that demonstrate empathetic communication
- Comfortable working in a remote / hybrid environment
- Basic understanding of public health systems, immunizations, and healthcare landscapes
- Ability to work weekends or evenings when given proper (at least two weeks) notice
- Must pass criminal background check and drug-screening test, and must provide documentation of some required immunizations
- Dedicated to improving Colorado's health through vaccination and evidence-based public health interventions

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience using Motivational Interviewing (MI) techniques in clinical settings, or familiarity with best practices
- Experience evaluating programs
- Health education certification or bachelor's degree in a related field (Public Health, Social Work, Allied Health, etc.)
- Proficient in Spanish

Key Duties and Responsibilities

- Facilitate an existing 2-hour Motivational Interviewing training. Approximately 20 total sessions will occur, with 16 happening in Colorado's Front Range and 4 happening outside of it.
- Review and provide feedback on the training on a regular basis, supporting editing as needed.
- Administer a pre-test and post-test for each training, ensuring that at least 75% of training participants complete both.
- Travel to and from training locations in a personal vehicle.

- Track mileage, hours, and expenses related to work travel. Work-related expenses will be reimbursed on a monthly basis.
- Communicate regularly with Immunize Colorado staff about training successes, challenges, and supportive needs.
- Support the creation and maintenance of IC partner relationships and assist with identifying groups to whom to provide the training.
- Attend additional community events on behalf of Immunize Colorado as assigned to provide education to the public and/or healthcare providers.
- Attend occasional additional meetings or Immunize Colorado events, such as monthly inoffice days, fundraisers, board retreats, and staff retreats.

To Apply:

Please send resume, cover letter, and three professional references to Sarah Waraniak at sarah.waraniak@childrenscolorado.org by 5pm on August 4th, 2025. Interviews will be held on a rolling basis until the desired candidate is secured.