



Job Title: Health Educator	Status: Full-time, non-exempt
Reports to: Program Director	Starting Salary: \$40,000
Starting Date: August 1, 2023	Date Reviewed: July 2023

Overview:

Respiratory Health Association is a 501(c)3 local lung health charity residing in Chicago since 1906. We believe in a future free of lung disease. A world without lung cancer, asthma, or COPD. A world with clean air, where everyone breathes easier. To achieve that goal, we collaborate with researchers in a relentless pursuit of new treatments and cures. We empower adults and children living with lung disease by teaching them skills to manage their health. We work with lawmakers to craft innovative policies that promote healthy communities, reduce tobacco use, protect our environment, and build a more sustainable future.

Working closely with the Asthma Programs team, the Health Educator will be responsible for coordinating and delivering school-based asthma programs for students living with asthma and their caregivers throughout Chicago and the surrounding suburbs. This position requires experience fostering relationships with community-based partners and delivering community and school-based programs in a fast-paced environment, excellent verbal communication skills, the ability to work in a team environment as well as independently, and strong multi-tasking and organizational skills.

Key Responsibilities:

Program Outreach and Delivery

- Attend asthma, lung health, and other relevant trainings to become proficient at delivering asthma and vaping education to school-age children and their adult caregivers.
- Deliver school and community-based asthma and lung health education programs, including vaping education and RHA's evidence-based Fight Asthma Now© (FAN) asthma management education program, throughout Chicago and the surrounding community.
- Conduct outreach to schools, community organizations, and other community stakeholders to inform them of educational resources and schedule programs.
- Communicate with school and organizational administrators by phone, email, and through meetings to schedule and facilitate implementation of asthma and vaping education programs.
- Deliver a targeted number of Fight Asthma Now© and vaping programs to youth and teens (ages 7- 18) with asthma.
- Communicate and meet regularly with Respiratory Health Association's Senior Program Coordinator and Program Director.

Data Collection and Management

- Maintain database of school and community contacts and program delivery.
- Collect and organize program and outreach data; input data into Microsoft Excel database; support analysis of program data.
- Document and track number of asthma education classes and workshops delivered.
- Perform other duties as necessary.

Qualifications:

- High school diploma/GED AND experience working in Chicago's West and/or South side communities, facilitating community-based education programs for children and adults, and desire to advance health equity in these communities.
- At least five years of experience with the implementation of community programs and/or public health initiatives.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills; must be comfortable and able to outreach to schools and community organizations, and speak in front of diverse groups of students and adults.
- Must have Illinois driver's license. Access to a car preferred but not required.
- Bilingual English and Spanish is a plus.
- Ability to manage multiple tasks simultaneously.
- Intermediate computer skills and proficiency using Microsoft Office, especially Excel.
- Knowledge of asthma and lung health issues not required. Candidate will receive all necessary training in asthma and lung health education.

To apply: Email résumé and cover letter to jobs@resphealth.org. Please include the job title and your name in the subject line. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

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As a lung health organization, RHA does not hire persons who smoke or vape and forbids smoking in the workplace.