



**Host Site:** Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin

**Position Title:** HealthCorps Member

**Department:** Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin

**Reports To:** Tara Goris, Program Leader Creative Services and Student Development

### **Summary**

Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin (Alliance) is Wisconsin's voice for children's health. We raise awareness, mobilize leaders, impact public health and implement programs proven to work, and are affiliated with Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. Our key initiatives are asthma, early literacy, emergency care, grief and bereavement, injury prevention and death review, medical home and oral health. This HealthCorps position is designed to complement the efforts of the Alliance initiatives, specifically focused on asthma, early literacy, emergency care and injury prevention. Overnight travel may occur. Mileage and travel costs will be reimbursed.

### **Duties & Responsibilities**

- Implementation of the Wisconsin Asthma Coalition school and child care walkthrough programs in order to decrease exposure to environmental asthma triggers. The HealthCorps member will:
  - Outreach to schools with high rates of enrollment in the free and reduced lunch program to implement the WAC school walkthrough program.
  - Outreach to child care centers with high rates of participation in the child care subsidy program to implement the WAC child care walkthrough program.
  - Complete the WAC school and child care walkthrough program:
    - Complete the school walkthrough program in 15 schools.
    - Complete the child care walkthrough program in 15 child care centers.
  - Complete pre and post evaluation with participating schools and child care centers.
  - Complete one-year follow-up evaluation with schools and child care centers that participated in the WAC walkthrough programs during the previous year.
  - Promote the WAC walkthrough programs at relevant conferences and meetings.
  - Prepare newsletter articles, journal articles and handouts to promote the WAC walkthrough programs.
  - Prepare resources and coordinate logistics for WAC school and child care walkthrough trainings and webinars
- Increase the reach of the Wisconsin Asthma Coalition school and child care walkthrough programs throughout the state through a train-the-trainer model. The HealthCorps member will:
  - Prepare presentation materials and training folders.
  - Educate train-the-trainer participants on asthma basics, asthma triggers and walkthrough process.



- Guide train-the-trainer participants during walkthrough at child care center or school. Improve professional education regarding infant safe sleep by implementing the Sleep Baby Safe program. The HealthCorps member will:
  - Collect and enter data from Sleep Baby Safe and Newborn Nest evaluation tools.
  - Optional learning opportunity: Outreach to communities who are working on infant safe sleep through their local health departments, Safe Kids coalitions, child death review teams or hospitals to provide Sleep Baby Safe resources and training.
  - Optional learning opportunity: Participate in Newborn Nest project implementation, including development of trainings, resources and evaluation components.
- Increase the knowledge base of our state's community leaders on early brain and child development issues, the long-term impact of early adversity on a child's potential development and Reach Out and Read. The HealthCorps member will:
  - Coordinate and staff visits with community leaders (where visiting community leader reads to a group of young children and receives a tour of the clinic) at four to six medical clinics with Reach Out and Read programs.
  - Optional learning opportunity: Participate in a Reach Out and Read on-site clinic visit to learn about the technical assistance and quality assurance support provided to participating clinics
- Promote the use of non-pharmacologic pediatric pain management techniques among pre-hospital and hospital emergency care providers. The HealthCorps member will:
  - Promote WI EMSC program and pediatric comfort kits at emergency care conferences and meetings.
  - Process and fill requests for pediatric comfort kits.
  - Implement evaluation plan for pediatric comfort kits with online survey.
  - Prepare final comfort kit evaluation report and present to emergency care project manager.
- Promote the use of kilogram-only weight-based medication dosing among hospital emergency care providers. The HealthCorps member will:
  - Promote WI EMSC program and pediatric weight conversion charts at emergency care conferences and meetings.
  - Process and fill requests for pediatric weight conversion charts.
  - Implement evaluation plan for pediatric weight conversion charts with online survey.
- Improve professional education regarding pediatric emergency care by implementing regional pediatric emergency training and simulation. The HealthCorps member will:
  - Observe 3-4 regional training events.
  - Work with emergency care project manager on training logistics, such as; equipment set up, registration, and completing evaluation and continuing education certificates.
  - Implement evaluation plan for regional trainings using paper-based survey.
  - Prepare final evaluation report and present to emergency care project manager.
- Increase awareness of WI EMSC among health care professionals and community members.
  - Develop one social media post weekly for Facebook and Twitter.
- Prepare a monthly blog article for the HealthCorps web page.



- Assist in being a leader with all students.

### **Training**

- Orientation of the organizational policies, procedures and facilities
- Discussion with site supervisor on AmeriCorps member's goals, interests and existing strengths
- Opportunities become available throughout the year to help the Member meet personal goals
- Introduction to the full Alliance staff
- Orientation to individual projects through one-on-one meetings with project staff
- Training on individual topic areas with project staff (e.g., asthma, early literacy, emergency care and injury prevention)
- Participate in the StrengthsFinder assessment and learn more about your top five strengths
- Web-based HIPPA training
- Web-based training for Reach Out and Read
- Articles and other materials on early brain and child development, early childhood literacy promotion and Reach Out and Read
- Environmental assessment training and shadowing opportunities
- Project managers will provide guidance on individual projects
- Additional training or conference opportunities that arise throughout the year, such as the Wisconsin Public Health Association annual meeting

### **Qualifications/Skills**

The Alliance is seeking applicants with the following qualifications and skills:

- Excellent written and verbal communication skills as evidenced by professional interactions with diverse populations
- Strong organizational skills and ability to work independently
- Customer service focused and willing to work with a variety of individuals
- Detailed and service oriented
- Excellent computer skills and well versed in the Windows environment

### **Education and/or Experience**

The Alliance is seeking applicants with a bachelor's degree in community health, population health, public health or other related degree.