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| Position Title: | Syringe Exchange and Health Promotion Internship |
| Reporting To: | Syringe Services Program Manager |
| Department: | Prevention Services |
| Status: | Internship |

Organizational Overview:

Prevention Point Philadelphia (PPP) is a multi-service public health organization dedicated to promoting health, empowerment, and safety for communities affected by drug use and poverty. PPP meets drug users where they are, providing information and access to resources with dignity and respect. Using a harm reduction approach, PPP offers low threshold, culturally sensitive, non-judgmental services to address the health and social service needs of drug and hormone users and sex workers in Philadelphia. PPP promotes harm reduction through sterile syringe exchange, mobile medical care, referrals to social services, and prevention case management services.

Position Overview:

The Syringe Services Program is one of the most heavily utilized services at Prevention Point. Our services are focused on individualized care and personal connection with participants. Ensuring that exchange supplies are adequately stocked, maintaining a basic familiarity with our inventory, assisting with supply preparation and site setup, and understanding site flow to direct participants to staff in other services are all important aspects of operating syringe distribution. The Syringe Exchange and Health Promotions intern will train new volunteers in proper data collection and assist their staff supervisor in ensuring participants can engage with services at their desired level.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assists with harm reduction supply distribution including safer use supplies, naloxone, and fentanyl and xylazine test strips.
- Assists in the set up and break down of the Syringe Service sites.
- Adheres to Prevention Point's harm reduction approach (meeting people where they are & withholding judgment about choices they make, etc.).
- Assists with training volunteers in basic data collection needs
- Is committed to providing compassionate, trauma informed care to all participants and engaging in de-escalation tactics
- Completes routine administrative duties including filing, shredding, collating, stocking, inventory, and other operational needs.
- Performs other duties as assigned by supervisor.