

Position Description



Title: Adaptive Sport Programmer

Organization: Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana – Sports Program

Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana Sports Program is dedicated to providing competitive and non-competitive athletic opportunities to individuals with disabilities to enhance quality of life, promote physical fitness, introduce recreational and wheelchair sports and challenge participants to perform at a competitive Level.

Supervisor: Pat Dean
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Term of Service: Half Time/Full Time

of Position Available: 1-2

Days and Times: Member should be available a minimum of 3 days a week. Some weekends and evenings.

Duties:

- Plans and facilitates athlete development programs such as rock climbing, sailing, scuba diving, downhill skiing, and wheelchair tennis.
- Manage, and coaches disabled sports teams as assigned by supervisor.
- Assists with community outreach, marketing, volunteer coordination, fundraising development, and special events.
- Plan, implement and run recreational activities, including program promotion, recruitment, event logistics, and evaluation.
- Provide instruction, coaching or assistance in various adapted sports and recreational programs such as power soccer, quad rugby, track and field, wheelchair basketball, beep baseball, golf, wheelchair tennis and water skiing.
- Support recreation and sports delivery by representing RHI at various programs including but not limited to day/overnight camps, athletic events, team building activities, community presentations, individual and or group activities and weekend excursions.
- Provide staff assistance for recreation, sports and athletic events as needed.
- Participates in all facets of agency operation as directed by supervisor.

Position Requirements:

- Member(s) is expected to have at minimum 2-3yrs undergraduate education in recreation and leisure management or related field. In addition, this person should have experience working with people with physical disabilities.
- Strong leadership abilities; able to plan and facilitate special events under direction of supervisor.
- Commitment to working in a team environment.
- Excellent interpersonal, verbal, and written communications skills.
- Possesses basic knowledge of adaptive recreation, methods and techniques.
- Ability to develop and present information to community organizations, target populations and other health professionals.

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AmeriCorps Improving Health Throughout Indiana

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Position Title: AmeriCorps Improving Health Throughout Indiana Member.

Project Mission: AmeriCorps Improving Health Throughout Indiana strives to empower children, families and communities to decrease health disparities by promoting good nutrition and physical activities through community-based health promotion approaches. These approaches include outreach, education and peer-counseling.

Project Sponsors: The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) and Indiana University School of Health Physical Education and Recreation (IU).

Project Sponsor's Location: 2N Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46205. The Members will serve with many non-profit agencies throughout Indiana. Contact the Program Coordinator for more details

Member Summary: Our program includes multiple Host Sites, each with a designated Host Site Supervisor who serves together with Members in the health education/promotion field. This team serves a variety of health promotion projects with a multitude of sponsoring agencies. Each project provides Members the opportunity to develop and expand community service, citizenship, leadership and organizational skills. Every Member will have a position description indicating specific responsibilities and the location of the Host Site.

Members are required to complete 900 hours (half time Members) or 1700 hours (full time Members) of service over the term year (October 20-August 31). Weekly hours will vary depending on the project and needs of the Host Site. Individual arrangements will be made between the Member and the Site Supervisor.



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Position Requirements:

- 18 Years of age or older at the beginning of service term.
- U.S citizen, national or lawful permanent resident.
- Possession of high school diploma or equivalent, or commit to earning one prior to utilizing an education award.
- Have the ability to commit and fulfill term of service for which applying.
- Must successfully pass criminal history background check.
- Regular and reliable attendance.
- Self-motivated and a desire to serve with people to promote health education, community health needs and an ethic of service.

Member Benefits Include:

- Living Allowance; \$5,700 for half-time Members and \$11,400 for full-time Members will be distributed in fixed amounts bi-weekly during the course of the Member's service term. *Note this amount is subject to both state and federal taxes.
- Upon successful completion of term of service, eligible half-time Members will receive an education award of \$2362 and full-time Members will receive an award of \$4725. The education award may be used to repay qualified student loans or for further education in an accredited institution of higher learning, vocational or trade schools. The education award is taxed in the year that it is used.
- Loan Forbearance (after successful completion of a term of service, AmeriCorps will pay the accrued interest on qualified loans which is taxable).
- FICA; Workers compensation paid.
- Full-time Members serving 1700 hours are eligible for health insurance coverage and child care assistance.
- IU School of Public and Environmental Affairs – Masters Program will automatically waive three credit hours per year of service (or up to 6 hours) from the degree requirements of all AmeriCorps alums. The 6 credit waiver is worth around \$4,700 to out-of-state students.

Type of Position: Health Promotion

Length of Term: 900 half-time or 1700 full-time hours

Service Dates will run between: October 20, 2008-August 31, 2009

★ **How to apply:**

Download and Print Your Application from:

- <http://www.in.gov/isdh/programs/cnop/AmeriCorps/index.htm>
- PDF version <http://www.in.gov/isdh/programs/cnop/AmeriCorps/AmeriApp.pdf>
- Once downloaded and completed, sign and mail your **AmeriCorps Application** to the address below:

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General Questions about AmeriCorps Improving Health Throughout Indiana or our recruitment process Contact:

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