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Family Strengthening Intervention for Afghan Refugees

(برنامه یی برای تقویت فامیل های مهاجر افغان)

Position: Afghan Community Health Worker (CHW)/FSI-R Interventionist for **Family Strengthening Intervention for Afghan Refugees** (برنامه یی برای تقویت فامیل های مهاجر افغان) *Maine Immigrant & Refugee Services (MEIRS)* in partnership with Boston College, School of social work is looking for both female and male workers from the Afghan community to serve as community health workers for promoting family well-being for newly resettling Afghan families in Maine.

Hours per week: 20 hours per week

Rate: \$25 per hour

Supervisors: Rilwan Osman, MSW (MEIRS) and Dr. Theresa Betancourt (Boston College)

Project Time frame: May, 2022 to August, 2022

Role:

- The Community Health Worker (CHW) will conduct a home-visiting program (Family Strengthening Intervention for Refugees) with a total of 30 Afghan families in the Lewiston, Auburn, Augusta and Portland area.
- The CHW will participate in training about the purpose of research and conducting the Barnama برنامه and will be able to accurately represent the research in the community.

Expectations:

- The CHW will work part-time on this project and will on average 20 hours per week.
- The CHW will participate in weekly supervision calls with Boston College personnel, and 1:1 supervision as needed.
- The CHW will complete MEIRS and intervention documentation, including fidelity assessments and weekly intervention notes for each family on his/her caseload.
- He/she must be willing and able to work with a range of people in the community and on the collaborative research team from Boston College.

- The research team expects enthusiastic participation in training and research activities. The CHW must have flexibility in his/her schedule so that we can better accommodate the schedules of our participants.

Qualifications:

- The CHW must be fluent in both English and Pashto/Dari. Written skills in English are necessary; written skills in Pashto/Dari are beneficial.
- The individual must have at least high school diploma and is expected to have an interest in being actively engaged within the Afghan community. Strong skills in organization and communication are necessary, as well as interpersonal skills.

Commitment:

- The CHW must be willing and able to commit to initial and ongoing training to build skills necessary for completing the work.
- The CHW will be supported by the Boston College-based research team members, who will be available for feedback, additional training, and logistical support throughout the research period.

If you are interested in this position, please email rilwan@meirs.org or call 344-5136



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Position: Research Assistant (RA) for **Family Strengthening Intervention for Afghan Refugees**
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Role:

- The Research Assistant (RA) will collect informed consents from both parents and children, will collect quantitative data on family well-being and mental health twice, and will conduct qualitative one-one-one interviews with parents and children. RAs will work with a total of 30 Afghan families in the Lewiston, Auburn, Augusta and Portland area.
- The RA will participate to the initial training about the purpose of research and collecting the quantitative and qualitative data from Afghan families.

Expectations:

- The RA will work part-time on this project and will on average 20 hours per week.
- The RA will participate supervision calls as needed with Boston College personnel, and 1:1 supervision as needed.
- The RA will complete MEIRS and intervention documentation, including fidelity assessments and weekly intervention notes for each family on his/her caseload.
- He/she must be willing and able to work with a range of people in the community and on the collaborative research team from Boston College.

- The research team expects enthusiastic participation in training and research activities. The RA must have flexibility in his/her schedule so that we can better accommodate the schedules of our participants.

Qualifications:

- The RA must be fluent in both English and Pashto/Dari. Written skills in English are necessary; written skills in Pashto/Dari are beneficial.
- The individual must have at least high school diploma and is expected to have an interest in being actively engaged within the Afghan community. Strong skills in organization and communication are necessary, as well as interpersonal skills.

Commitment:

- The RA must be willing and able to commit to initial and ongoing training to build skills necessary for completing the work.
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