

## Research Assistant

Looking for a dedicated Research Assistant to join our team. We are a multidisciplinary group of professionals and peers committed to bringing more integrated trauma and substance use disorder (SUD) treatment to the Downtown Eastside (DTES) and beyond. Our project is a participatory action, mixed methods design, in which we will determine the preferences of people who use drugs (PWUD) regarding the content and design of a peer-led trauma course (stage 1), and then we will create, deliver and evaluate said course (stage 2).

Project title: DTES-HEART (Healing Education for Addiction and Resilience to Trauma) project

Principal investigators:

Alana Hirsh – MD, CCFP(EM)(AM); Assistant Clinical Professor at UBC,  
Physician at PHS Community Services

Rebecca Thomas – Harm Reduction Lead, Overdose Emergency Response at  
Vancouver Coastal Health

Team size – currently 6 active members, including two peers (people with lived experience)

Start date – available immediately

Hours – 10-15 hours a week, duration – flexible

Salary - \$25-35/hour, depending on experience and skills of applicant

Project duration – Stage 1 ends in November 2020, Stage 2 will continue until summer of 2021

Research Assistant Job Responsibilities:

- Attend team meetings, take minutes
- Assist with project logistics
- Assist with data collection and interpretation
- Reads, understands and synthesizes relevant scientific literature
- Prepares figures and diagrams for presentations and publications
- Communicates results and collaborates with other team members
- Provides intellectual input into the design of the project
- Contributes to the preparation of articles on research outcomes and progress and to the submission of same for publication
- Participates in the writing, editing and proofing of grant proposals, annual grant reports, ethics applications, and manuscripts for publication and recommends modifications to the Principal Investigators.

Research Assistant Qualifications / Skills:

- Experience and skill in qualitative research

- Sound organizational and data management skills, and ability to handle several responsibilities and work under tight time constraints
- Ability to work without direct supervision, paying close attention to detail and bearing independent responsibility for data accuracy
- Ability to deal with all levels of staff in responding to a wide range of inquiries
- Ability to use tact, discretion, and sound judgment when dealing with confidential information
- Interest in the topic of SUD, PTSD/trauma, social determinants of health a bonus

Education, Experience, and Licensing Requirements:

- Minimum education: undergraduate degree
- Relevant work experience in a similar role.

If interested in this position, please send a CV and a letter of application to Dr. Alana Hirsh, expressing why you are interested and why you would be a good fit for the role.

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