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EDUCATION:

University of Oregon

BA in Political Science and Latin American Studies

Thesis: A New Approach to Drug Policy in México

Eugene, OR

2012-2017

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Lane County, Public Health

Eugene, OR

Community Service Worker / Disease Intervention Specialist

March 2018 - present

- Interview confirmed and suspected COVID-19 cases per the Oregon Health Authority investigative guidelines.
- Identify any health care worker, EMS or close contacts that were exposed to COVID-19.
- Coordinate weekly meetings for our Latinx Public Health Committee
- Assist with COVID-19 testing for Lane County residents.
- Coordinate testing among priority communities such as; Latinx and farm workers.
- Conduct a survey to improve COVID-19 testing and education for the Latinx community.
- Advise, on ongoing meetings, a University of Oregon team on best practices for Latinx COVID-19 testing.
- Determine the origins and the potential spread of reportable sexually transmitted disease (STD) by interviewing those with an STI.
- Locate potentially infected persons through any means legally possible including, but not limited to: obtaining information from patients, relatives of patients, sex partners, public agencies.
- Contact potentially infected persons for the purpose of encouraging testing and treatment.
- Provides education regarding the infection and obtains information on other potentially infected persons; emphasize sex partner referral, tactfully persist in identifying sex partners.
- Locates/identifies information about sexual partners needing testing and treatment.
- Develop and maintain detailed records of all activities, and events done to promote STI testing and training.
- Write referrals to direct clients to Infectious Disease when appropriate.
- Provide education and consultations to medical providers, nurses, and the corrections staff at Lane County.
- Work with the Lane County Jail nurses to test and treat contacts of newly diagnosed syphilis and HIV clients.
- Knowledge of modes of transmission, diagnosis, disease characteristics, treatment, prevention and control of STD, HIV, and other communicable diseases.
- Maintain a caseload of 30 cases (Gonorrhea, Syphilis, and HIV).
- Coordinated care for at least 4 congenital syphilis cases and 2 newly diagnosed HIV cases (per year).
- Conduct off-site STI clinics for youth at risk and process specimens for off-site clinics.

Community Service Worker for Soy Sano! / I'm Healthy!

October 2016 - December 2017

- Developed strategies and implementation of plans to do outreach with the Latino Community in Lane County *I'm healthy! / Soy Sano!* Program.
- Collaborated with the Community Health Centers of Lane County to ensure patients were being referred to the program.
- Conducted interviews with patients to determine eligibility for *I'm healthy! / Soy Sano!*, but also to the Oregon Health Plan or the sliding scale in the Community Health Centers.
- Assisted in performing the technical work of service delivery by also providing in-person translation when needed, or assisting families with making medical appointments.

- Identified community resources all across Lane County in order to provide accurate and better assistance to the target population.
- Travel around Lane County to provide services in areas of the community in which they cannot be easily accessed.
- Established constant communication with the Community Health Centers, organizations and schools districts in Lane County.
- Helped to create a reliable tracking system between the Community Health Centers of Lane County and Public Health.
- Attended school events such as; Open Houses, Parents Nights, and Health Clinics to give informational presentations and training related to *I'm healthy!//Soy Sano!*.
- Attended monthly meetings with the Oregon Health Association and provide updates of the monthly referrals and grant development
- Assisted in writing our monthly report.
- Contact patients to follow-up on medical appointments and ensure they had a positive experience while utilizing our services.
- Worked on developing flyers and information in Mam for the Guatemalan community.
- Assisted in grant writing for additional programming which resulted in securing \$90,000 funds for the upcoming Cover All Kids program in Lane County.

University of Oregon

Eugene, OR

Cultural Representative at International Cultural Service Program August 2012 - June 2017

- Went to schools to provide presentations about Mexican culture. Some presentations were about México's history, a new approach to drug policy in México, or the constant change of Mexican culture.
- Organized cooking and craft workshops.
- Presented in different panels to talk about Mexican culture or International Students
- Outreached to schools to promote the program and students within it.

Program Manager at Mills International Center January 2015 - July 2017

- Created events that focused on the department's mission.
- Planned, executed and managed a weekly event for 20 weeks that averaged 60 to 140 attendees each week in order to connect international students to the rest of the student community and build lasting relationships
- Organized pre event logistics by forecasting risks and accounting for all the details to ensure smooth execution
- Conducted weekly meetings with program managers to discuss updates, evaluate progress and plan for future projects.
- Oversaw the budget of each event to ensure that each event stayed within budget.
- Motivated and delegated tasks based on team members strengths in order to improve performance.
- Developed strategies to improve outreach and increase visitors to the center.
- Facilitated conversation among students and helped them get to know each other, student groups, and departments at "The Meet."
- Created and implemented an overarching programming for fall, winter and spring terms.
- Attended different meetings across campus to ensure departments knew about our department and resources.

Communication Assistant at Jordan Schnitzer of Art

September 2014 - July 2017

- Promoted upcoming exhibitions.
- Coordinated volunteers for each event.
- Greeted and informed visitors about our current exhibitions
- Gathered data for possible venues that might be interested in our upcoming exhibits.
- Helped gather a Latino Advisory Board.
- Helped organize and run the annual Dia de los Muertos celebration.

International Student Advocate, ASUO.

November 2015 to June 2016

- Set up meetings between International Student Groups and the student government.
- Provided assistance to International Student Groups, within the student government.
- Advocated for important issues that would help international students on campus.
- Worked with a committee that focuses on the food insecurity students face on campus and advocated for a food pantry on campus.

Program Manager for MEChA

September 2014 - June 2015

- Organized cultural events that focused on our goals.
- Helped incoming members to engage in our events and weekly meetings.
- Coordinated the annual Dia de Muertos celebration with the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art.
- Ensured contracts were written correctly and signed on time.
- Provided cultural workshops for our annual conference *Raza Unida Youth Conference*.

Wound Clinic

Tijuana, Baja California

Community Health Intern

August - September 2015

- Established a trusting relationship with patients, while providing general support.
- Provided ongoing follow-ups to make sure patients were receiving their medical treatments.
- Developed a medical file to archive patient's medical notes.
- Coordinate volunteer tasks for the weekend mobile clinic.
- Traveled around Tijuana to transport patients to their medical appointments.

Volunteer Experiences:

Gobierno de Guanajuato

Guanajuato, Guanajuato
June 2022 - present

- Mentor for Mexican citizens who are looking to develop Public Health projects.

Daisy C.H.A.I.N.

Eugene, Oregon
March 2022 - present

- Board member at Daisy C.H.A.I.N. This is an organization that works with pregnant people and connects them to prenatal care.
- Keep track of monthly donors and send them personal notes thanking them for their contribution.

PREVEN CASA

Tijuana, Baja California
August 2014 - present

- Distributed food, syringes, and condoms to patients.
- Registered patients into the weekly clinic.

Consulado Movil Mexicano

Eugene, Oregon
May 2011 - Present

- Assisted in coordinating a yearly movil consulate for Mexican citizens to renew their passports and IDs
- Scheduled and coordinated enough volunteers to assist families filling up necessary paperwork.
- Coordinated a Ventanilla de Salud to inform Mexican families regarding COVID-19 resources in Lane County.

Porque No! KLCC, NPR Radio Show

Eugene, Oregon
November 2010 - February 2020

- Co-hosted a spanish radio show for music in Spanish
- Interviewed Latin American groups and activists such as; Las Cafeteras (music) and (activists) Father Alejandro Solalinde.

Appearances:

- Secretaría del Migrante, *Café Virtual*, “*Migrante, preguntale a tu Alcalde*” August 2020 <https://www.facebook.com/455208497905538/videos/219871739410489>
- Radio Fórmula Bajío, *Infomula Bajío, COVID-19 en Guanajuato*. January 2021 https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=3537079843013732&id=175522495886160

Scholarships and Awards:

- Recognition by the Board of Commissioners of Lane County for COVID-19 Emergency Response 2020. Eugene, OR.
- NCSA Scholarship 2019, National Coalition of STD Directors, Policy Academy.
- World AIDS Day Award Recipient 2019.
- NCSA DIS Scholarship 2018, National Coalition of STD Directors, Annual Conference
- Recognition by the Board of Commissioners of Lane County for I’m healthy! / Soy sano! 2016-2017. Eugene, OR.
- ICSP Scholarship 2013-2017, University of Oregon.

Languages:

- Spanish, native speaker
- English, advanced level in reading, speaking, and writing.

Skills:

- Software proficient with Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint
- IRB Certification
- HIPAA Certification
- Partner Services Certification
- Community Health Worker Certification