**Massachusetts Department of Public Health**

**Unpaid Internship Opportunity**

Position Title: Office of Sexual Health and Youth Development Intern

Bureau/Office/Program: Bureau of Community Health & Prevention/ Office of Sexual Health and Youth Development

Project Description:

The Office of Sexual Health and Youth Development funds a number of sexuality education and youth development efforts across the commonwealth. Racial justice, reproductive justice, positive youth development, data-drive, trauma-informed care and sustainability are the values that guide our work and programs. Our programs are located in communities that bear the burden of high teen birth rates and/or sexually transmitted infections among youth.

It is been challenging for us to authentically engage young people in our program design efforts and continuous quality improvement efforts. We would like to invite a graduate level student to work with us to conduct a review of existing youth engagement models of local community-based organizations and state health departments. Based on that, the student will help us develop a youth engagement model for use by the Office of Sexual Health and Youth Development. Our hope is to pilot the developed youth engagement strategy by Fall 2020.

Internship Outcomes

* Interview key internal and external stakeholders on youth engagement
* Existing models of youth engagement from state health departments
* Recommendations on how MDPH OSHYD will engage youth

Qualifications: Graduate student, youth development interest

To apply please email contact below a resume, cover letter and writing sample.

Preferred Time Commitment: 10-15 hours per week

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