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Position Title: Client Support Specialist
Location: Crown Point, IN (with some travel)
Reports to: Client Services Center Supervisor

Type: Part-time (30 hours per week) **Starting Pay rate:** \$21.75 per hour

Position Summary: This person is responsible for providing guidance, support, supervision and resources for LGBTQ+ youth and young adults, ages 12-24. This role involves supervising youth and young adults during center drop-in hours, creating programs that are inclusive, supportive, and responsive to the unique needs of LGBTQ+ young people. The Client Support staff will play a key role in ensuring the center provides a safer, welcoming, and affirming environment for all young people.

Key Responsibilities:

• Center Operations (50%):

- Assist in the planning and execution of programs and events tailored to the needs of LGBTQ+ young people.
- Execute day-to-day center operations, maintenance and communicate needs to supervisor.
- Assist with volunteer support, training, and communication.

Community Awareness (25%):

- Stay informed about the specific challenges and barriers faced by LGBTQ+ young people within the local community.
- Advocate for young people's needs and contribute to developing strategies to address these needs.
- Support relationships with local organizations, schools, and community leaders to promote the center's resources and programs.

• Resource Navigation (20%):

 Provide young people with relevant resources and referrals both internally and externally, including mental health support, educational opportunities, and social services.

Documentation and Reporting (5%):

- Maintain accurate records and data collection.
- Provide supervisors with regular reports on young people, volunteers, and community partners.

Relationships:

- Reports to: Client Services Center Supervisor
- **Direct or Dotted Line Reports:** None

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• Collaborative Relationships:

- Operations Department
- Support Advocacy Department

Qualifications:

Education & Experience:

- Associate's degree in education or health-related fields (social work, youth development or psychology) preferred.
- o Minimum two years' experience working with young people (ages 12-24).
- Experience working with LGBTQ+ young people, particularly those experiencing challenges or are in vulnerable situations.
- Ability to work independently and manage multiple priorities in an autonomous environment.
- o Proficient in using client management software and Microsoft Office Suite.

Skills:

- Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to build rapport with diverse populations and navigate sensitive topics with empathy and respect.
- Knowledge of trauma-informed care, crisis intervention, and culturally competent service delivery preferred.
- Ability to work flexible hours, including some evenings and weekends, to accommodate outreach activities and program events.

Personal Attributes:

- Passionate about advocating for LGBTQ+ people and committed to creating a supportive and inclusive environment.
- Empathetic, compassionate, and able to handle sensitive situations with care and discretion.
- A collaborative team player with a strong work ethic and a positive attitude.
- Must approach work through a racial equity lens in line with the mission of IYG.
- Must be able to pass local and federal criminal background checks, as well as a
 Department of Child Services background check to be eligible for employment at IYG.
- Deep commitment to IYG's mission and values.

Work Environment:

- The position is based at the Crown Point Center and will require 2-3 evenings per week in the center.
- This position requires travel to communities within the same county in addition to 2-4
 trips to the Indianapolis center annually for training and team building. A valid driver's
 license and reliable transportation are necessary. Required IYG travel potential, up to
 10% in a month.

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The role involves both independent work and collaboration with the center's team. A
commitment to creating an inclusive and supportive environment for LGBTQ+ young
people is essential.

Other:

• You must pass all the required background checks.

We encourage people of color, transgender, and non-binary people to apply. IYG is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes everyone, including non-LGBTQ+ people, to join our team. At IYG, we are dedicated to being diverse, inclusive, and authentic.