

## **DIABETIC COMMUNITY COACHES NEEDED**

### **Job Summary:**

University of California, Irvine Center for Health Policy Research is conducting a study looking at Vietnamese, Mexican and Caucasian patients with type 2 diabetes seen at the UC Irvine clinics. This study focuses on: 1) providing patients with individualized treatment information; 2) teaching patients skills for using this information to negotiate a treatment regimen more consistent with their lifestyle, cultural and social circumstances; and 3) empowering patients to have a more active role in care immediately preceding a regularly scheduled visit with his/her primary care doctor.

We are currently recruiting eligible individuals to fill our community coach staff positions to help us teach patients how to accomplish these goals. Community coaches will play a key role in this study. They will meet with patients at one of the UC Irvine medical clinics and help patients improve communication with their doctors. We are looking to hire people with type 2 diabetes to fill the community coach positions. However, they do NOT need to have any medical training or experience in the medical field to apply. We are looking for people who want to learn more about their own diabetes and who want to help other people with diabetes. We will train all qualified people to become "diabetic coaches." This position will be part-time with hours to be determined upon hire. We are hiring English, Vietnamese and Spanish speaking coaches; those who speak Spanish and Vietnamese must also speak English.

### **Skills Knowledge Abilities:**

#### ***Required***

1. Fluent in oral and written English language.
2. Has type 2 diabetes
3. Possess at least a high school education or equivalent.
4. Effective communication skills to interact with a variety of staff, physicians, patients and others in a daily work environment.
5. Skills to establish priorities, meet deadlines, perform work independently.
6. Must possess a valid license to drive in the state of California and have a reliable vehicle with current registration and insurance.
7. Demonstrated ability to work as a member of a problem-solving team.
8. Must be available for work during the 9 to 5 work hours
9. Have access to a telephone

#### ***Desired***

1. Some competence and experience with Microsoft Office computer applications (i.e. Word, Excel)
2. Possess an associate's or a bachelor's degree.

### **Contact Information:**

Please contact [Name] at [phone #] for more specific details about the position.