Job Title: Temporary Research Assistant (Supportive Release Center Project)
Location: Chicago

About the Unit (and project):
Who we are: The Health Lab, in partnership with Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities, Heartland Alliance Health (HAH), and the Cook County Sheriff's Office, designed a "Supportive Release Center," which opened in June 2017. The SRC aims to help individuals with mental illness reenter life and transition to services in their communities following their release from the Cook County Jail. The Health Lab is providing design and evaluation support to conduct a randomized, controlled trial to evaluate the impact of the SRC on health and criminal justice outcomes and generate evidence that will allow for the replication of this model in jails across the country.

Job Summary:

The Temporary Research Assistant position is a great opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of policy research and to develop research skills.

This part-time position requires a time commitment of 15 hours per week for data collection and data entry. Please note that our office is in downtown Chicago at 33 N. LaSalle St.

Responsibilities:

- Administering surveys to our target populations
- Collecting data
- Keeping records
- Conducting literature and technical research
- Entering data and preparing reports

Competencies:

- Strong interpersonal skills are required.
- Strong initiative and a resourceful approach to problem-solving and learning are required.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team required.
- Strong attention to detail with superb organization skills required.
- Sound critical thinking skills required.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills with responsiveness to emails required.
- The ability to synthesize multiple sources required.

Education, Experience, and Certifications:
- Strong preference for students currently enrolled in a social science discipline such as economics, public policy, anthropology, statistics or political science with coursework in basic research concepts and methods.
- Previous data collection experience preferred.

Required Documents:
- Resume
- Cover Letter

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