



## CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE INTERNATIONAL

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### POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT PROJECT MANAGER

#### *MODEL PARENTING PROGRAM FOR INCARCERATED YOUTH*

##### **The Program**

This new project is a partnership of Children's Institute International (CII), the California Youth Authority (CYA), and the I Am Your Child Foundation (IAYC) to develop a model parenting program to promote the health and well-being of the high risk youth in the CYA and their current and future children. The CYA is the largest youth correctional agency in the nation with approximately 6200 wards in institutions and 4600 on parole. Approximately 20 to 30% of the CYA youth are already parents and 95% are young males. This two-year project will develop a socially and culturally relevant model program with curriculum and materials, including high-impact videos, to address the special parenting issues facing the CYA youth.

Program activities will include curriculum research and development, production of video materials, pilot testing curriculum and video materials at the Ventura County CYA facility, conducting a national think tank to assess best practices, connecting CYA youth and their families to community resources, training group leaders and peer counselors for ongoing implementation, and an independent evaluation of program outcomes.

##### **The Position**

This position offers a unique opportunity for an experienced human services project manager to work with national creative and professional leaders to build a new positive program which will impact incarcerated youth throughout California and beyond. The Project manager will provide direct supervision and coordination of all aspects of the project. Reporting to Project Director Dr. Hershel Swinger, Senior Vice President of Clinical Services at CII, the Project Manager will ensure implementation of all components; provide coordination with partner organizations, the video production team, and advisors and consultants; provide effective written and oral communication about the project; represent the project at local and national conferences; and manage all project administration.

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**Requirements**

Requirements for this position include a wide range of skills, personal attributes and professional experience. This includes a history of successful management of human services projects; knowledge of early childhood development and parenting and experience working with high risk populations; strong written and oral communication skills; the ability to work comfortably with prominent professional experts and also to relate empathically with incarcerated youth and their families; and a high level of organization. The Project Manager must be comfortable working in a dynamic, fast paced environment where flexibility regarding changing priorities will be valued. The project will be located at the central Los Angeles site of Children's Institute International and will require frequent travel to the Ventura County CYA facility and periodic travel in California and nationally.

Candidates for this position must have a minimum of three to five years of successful experience in education or human services project management. A graduate degree in a human services related area is desired.

**Compensation**

We are seeking a skilled, motivated and experienced individual for this high-profile project and compensation will be highly competitive. A comprehensive benefits package will be provided. While the current term for this position is two years, CII has a history and commitment of providing continuing employment and advancement opportunities to successful employees within its wide range of programs.

**For Further Information**

For additional information about the organizations involved in this project, please see: [www.childrens institute.org](http://www.childrens institute.org), [www.iamyourchild.org](http://www.iamyourchild.org), and [www.cya.ca.gov](http://www.cya.ca.gov).

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