Part-Time National Campus Mental Health Organizer

The National Campus Mental Health Organizer role provides an opportunity for a recent graduate or young professional to work with the Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law, the nation’s premier legal advocacy organization for people with mental disabilities. The Organizer will also work closely with our partners at Mental Health America and the University of Pittsburgh, School of Social Work.

The Bazelon Center, Mental Health America, and the University of Pittsburgh recently announced a joint project to identify research priorities that focused on campus mental health. The project will convene workgroups and a larger convening to establish priorities and research recommendations.

The National Campus Mental Health Organizer will work with the Bazelon Center and our partners to convene a group of diverse stakeholders, including student activists, to identify and propose solutions to research and establish solutions to address the following barriers and experiences college students encounter in relation to mental health:

- Mental Health Crisis Response;
- (Re)integration and coordinated campus support for students with more complex psychiatric disabilities and/or who are returning after leaves of absence; and
- ADA and Accommodation related policy and practices.

The National Campus Mental Health Organizer will have the following job responsibilities:

- Support diverse stakeholders and logistics (ie maintain roster, payments, document access, meeting login support, general support, etc.)
- Create graphics, social media, and collateral materials.
- Support staff in managing social media, blog posts, and research reports
- Create & update the project’s website pages
- Organize the convening and meetings
- Other tasks and logistics support as needed
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The Organizer will support a variety of stakeholders which will include: professors, researchers, university staff, psychiatrists, psychologists, current undergraduates, and other important advocates.

It is imperative that the Organizer understands the importance of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessible platforms. There will be a special focus on supporting and uplifting the voices of students that identify with the following identities: Black, Indigenous, LatinX, Asian, LGBTQIA+, and/or first-generation backgrounds with lived experiences with: mental health disabilities, forced treatment, accommodations, medical leave, and other relevant mental health experiences.

Required skills, qualities, and experiences:

- Self-starter and efficient
- Strong communicator and relationship builder
- Detail-oriented, organized, and timely
- Proficient in WordPress and/or other website platforms to build and maintain webpages
- Proficient in Microsoft products (Word, Excel, etc.)
- Extensive experience in online event planning and organizing.
- Experience providing technical support.
- Social media savvy (Tik Tok, Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIN, and Medium, etc.)
- Knowledgeable and embodies values of diversity, equity, inclusion, and integrity.
- Experience in event planning
- Experience collaborating in a remote environment

We especially encourage those with lived experiences and members of Black, Indigenous, LatinX, Asian, LGBTQIA+, and/or first-generation student communities to apply. As a disability advocacy organization, accommodations can be provided.
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Compensation & How to Apply:
The National Campus Mental Health Organizer role is a part-time contractor position and pays $20 an hour from January 2023 to September 2023. Send your resume and statement of interest to communications@bazelon.org by December 22, 2022 by 11:59 PM ET.

About the Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law: The Judge David L. Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law protects and advances the civil rights people with mental and developmental disabilities — especially Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) and other historically marginalized populations. We envision a society where our constituents with mental disabilities live with autonomy, dignity, and opportunity in welcoming communities supported by law, policy, and practices that help them reach their full potential. For more information, visit bazelon.org. To learn more about our 50-year celebration, visit bazelon50.com.