

PATCH Teen Educator Madison, WI

PAID (\$\$\$) Position for High School Students



WHAT IS PATCH?

PATCH stands for Providers and Teens Communicating for Health. We believe that for YOU (and other teens) to be your best self, you should be able to have open and honest conversations with trusted health care professionals. Many teens don't have that support. THAT'S WHY PATCH EXISTS!! We want to make sure that ALL youth can get the health care they need and deserve.

In this program, we ask YOU to be the expert and share what you know about being a teen, like:

- What are you or your peer's concerns about health care?
- What are things that make you like or dislike a health care professional?
- How much do you or your friends know about your health care rights?
- And so much more!

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Teen educators work with other teens and adults to make change within our community. You will be asked to:

- Attend and participate in a six-day Teen Educator Training. The 24-hour training (4 hours each day) is scheduled for **August 11th, 13th, & 14th AND August 18th, 20th, & 21st in Madison, WI.**
- Attend and participate in two Tuesday night enrichment meetings each month between September 2022 – May 2023. Involvement in sports or multiple extracurriculars may conflict with being able to commit to PATCH.
- Lead two different PATCH workshops - one for health care professionals and one for other teens!
- Use your voice and act as a teen representative at community events and conferences.
- Be a reliable source of information for other teens.
- Advocate for change in your community and health care systems.

QUALIFICATIONS / REQUIREMENTS

You are encouraged to apply if you:

- Will be in high school (or of high school age) during the 2021/2022 school year
- Live in or near Madison, Wisconsin and be able to regularly travel to downtown Madison for events
- Enjoy being part of a team and can work well with others who are different from you
- Demonstrate responsibility and reliability. This includes:
 - Keeping up good communication via e-mail and in person
 - Showing up to all meetings and events on time
 - Demonstrating dedication to the mission and vision of PATCH
- Are willing to learn and be open-minded
- Are passionate about making sure ALL youth can get the health care they need and deserve!

WHAT WILL I GAIN FROM PATCH?

You will gain valuable leadership and advocacy experience, become more familiar with important health topics, develop communication and presentation skills, and so much more! Being in PATCH is an impressive accomplishment to include on college applications and job resumes.

You will also be paid! You will receive \$100 upon full completion of Teen Educator Training and \$12/hour for attending enrichment meetings and leading workshops. This amount varies each month (likely between \$24-\$120/month) based on the number of events you attend and hours you work. **Most Teen Educators work between 4-10 hours each month.**

VISIT WWW.WIPATCH.ORG TO APPLY ONLINE TODAY! APPLICATIONS DUE JUNE 12th!

PATCH Madison is dedicated to recruiting a team that reflects our community's diversity in every form.

All youth in surrounding areas are encouraged to apply.

If you have any questions, please contact Erica Koepsel, PATCH Madison Site Coordinator at (608) 344-2901 or madison@wipatch.org.