



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

Senior Science Officer Position

About Power To Decide

Power to Decide, the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy, believes that all young people should have the opportunity to pursue the future they want, realize their full potential, and follow their intentions. These values guide our work to ensure that all young people have the power to decide if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant. When young women get pregnant on their own terms, they face fewer challenges in achieving their own educational and career goals, and they are better prepared for the demanding task of parenthood. We address the complex factors that lead to unplanned pregnancy through policy, research, capacity-building, convening, and strategic communications. We approach our work in an evidence-based, non-partisan, non-ideological way.

Position

We are seeking a Senior Science Officer (SSO) who will support the organization's efforts ensure that all women have the power to decide when, if and under what circumstances to become pregnant. This position will be responsible for ensuring that all of our work is informed and driven by the best available evidence. The SSO will serve as both an internal consultant across the organization as well as an external source of best available research and data. S/he will develop and maintain strong relationships with leading research centers and organizations, serve as a consultant to relevant internal efforts, synthesize current research and data relevant to sexual health and pregnancy prevention for internal and external purposes, conduct scientific reviews to inform program implementation, and develop reports/dashboards on program goals and outcomes. This is an exempt position that will report to the Chief Program Officer.

Duties include:

- Maintaining and communicating up to date information and data on the trends and developments in the intentionality, pregnancy prevention, behavior change, and preconception fields.
- Providing clear and timely updates to internal and external audiences on the status, outcomes and results of the organization's ongoing work.
- Developing, disseminating, and presenting reports and white papers on timely issues.
- Working collaboratively with the Research Advisory Panel and external research organizations to elicit guidance on best available evidence to inform all Power to Decide efforts.

- Overseeing the strategy and implementation for internal performance measurement, including relevant program evaluations.
- Drafting reports that analyze and summarize research, data and policy information.
- Consulting with all Power to Decide portfolios on evidence to inform practice, measurement strategies, and other relevant matters.
- Communicating the results and impact of Power to Decides' work via participation in staff meetings and advisory panels as well as preparing reports for funders and peer reviewed publications.
- Conducting literature reviews and data analysis of pregnancy prevention studies.
- Analyze at varying intervals a diverse dataset both qualitative and quantitative in nature, and preparing analyses and reports.

Qualifications

A master's degree or higher in public policy, public health or a related field, and a minimum of seven years of professional experience in progressively responsible assignments in monitoring or evaluation positions. Knowledge of population-based approaches to policy/systems change, health equity, and implementation science are desired.

- A strong track record in translating research to practice, preferably in the adolescent, women's or reproductive health space.
- Strong project, time management and organizational skills.
- Excellent written and verbal skills; strong attention to detail.
- Ability to work independently as well as ability to lead and to work as part of a team.
- A self-starter who can solve problems creatively, multi-task productively, follow through, and meet deadlines.
- A proven track record of working collaboratively across departments to complete assignments and deliver results.
- Ability to engage with experts in the field and translate research into simple and timely terms, on deadlines.

Key Skills

Excellent interpersonal skills with an ability to build relationships internally and externally. Ability to be entrepreneurial and function with minimal supervision, be well organized, set and follow priorities while also being able to identify and solve problems. Strong applied research and communication skills. Ability to think analytically.

Salary and benefits:

This is exempt position. Salary is commensurate with experience and Power to Decide has an excellent benefits package including health, dental and vision insurance, 403b, flexible spending accounts, flexible work schedules, and generous leave.

Power to Decide is committed to maintaining a diverse staff and an inclusive, multicultural environment. We are proud to provide equal employment opportunities (EEO) to all employees and applicants without regard to actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, parenting status (including pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions), age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, veteran status, uniformed service member status, disability or any other characteristic protected by law.

Please send a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and salary history to:

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