PatientAdvocacy Program Intern

Planned Parenthood Maine Action Fund is the nonpartisan, not-for-profit statewide advocacy and political arm of Planned Parenthood of Northern New England. The Action Fund engages in educational and electoral activity, including legislative advocacy, voter education, and grassroots organizing. The PPNNE Action Fund has thousands of activists, supporters, and donors across northern New England. Our action network helps pass and defeat legislation, elect public officials, and influence the political climate in northern New England.

Portland, ME

Summer 2019

Planned Parenthood of Northern New England is offering a part-time, unpaid (can be used for course credit) **Patient Advocacy Program Internship** at our Portland Administration offices. Interns will undergo extensive training to gather and utilize the patient stories that connect Planned Parenthood’s healthcare to our advocacy work. This is a hands-on opportunity for individuals seeking learning experiences related to storytelling and advocacy.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

* Speak with patients in the waiting room about current advocacy projects
* Follow up with patients who expressed interest in volunteering and story sharing
* Interview patients
* Write up patient stories and file them
* Create letter to the editors and social media posts
* Assist in the development of a story collection process
* Participate in outreach and advocacy outreach events

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Past experience/knowledge in story telling a plus
* Ability to problem solve
* Comfortability with hearing personal stories
* Excellent interpersonal and communication skills; experience in public speaking a plus
* Self-motivated and able to work independently
* Ability to maintain strict confidentiality
* Must show up on time and as scheduled
* Basic computer skills preferred
* Interview, video editing, and writing experience a plus