Community Health Workers (CHWs) are frontline public health workers who have a close understanding and passion for the community they will be serving. Community Health Workers provide health and social service support to individuals in the community and also build community capacity by increasing health knowledge and self-sufficiency through a range of activities such as community education, counseling, and advocacy.

Community Health Workers are known by many titles, depending on where they work, who they work for and what they do. Common job titles include Health Coach, Community Health Advocate, Health Educator, Outreach Worker, Peer Counselor, and Patient Navigator.

Working with a Community Care team including Doctors, Nurses, Therapists and Social Workers, CHWs conduct home visits, facilitate transportation and patient appointments, link patients to supportive services and teach patients self-management techniques with the goal of improving health outcomes.

If you are interested in entering the growing health care sector and are looking for a career pathway which will allow you to explore your passion for helping others and building community, then Community Health Worker may be the position for you.

As a CHW, your responsibilities will be to help individuals, families, groups and communities develop their capacity and access resources, including health insurance, food, housing, and quality care and health information.

What is a Community Health Worker?

"...a frontline public health worker who is a trusted member of and has an unusually close understanding of the community served. This trusting relationship enables the CHW to serve as a liaison/link/intermediary between health/social services and the community to facilitate access to services and improve the quality and cultural competence of service delivery.” – The American Public Health Association

Program Information:

Date: Part I: June 8, 2021 – August 26, 2021, Non-Credit and HMS 117 on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm (Zoom); CPR/First Aid Training

Part II: September 1,2021 – October 22, 2021, Credit Course- HMS 117 on Friday, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm (Zoom)

Plus 75 hours internship to be scheduled with the internship site

Location: Classes taught remotely via Zoom (except CPR/First Aid training on campus)

- Earn Six College Credits
  - HMS 117 Introduction to Community Service
  - HMS 205 Community Service Internship (includes 75-hour internship)

- Training topics include:
  - CHW Fundamentals (on health care and population trends)
  - Computer Literacy for CHWs
  - Leadership Training
  - Mental Health First Aid Certification
  - NARCAN Training Certification
  - CPR First Aid Certification
  - Cultural Competency Workshop
  - Employability Sessions (including resume writing, interviewing skills, etc.)

Minimum Requirements:

- 18 years of age or older
- High School Diploma or equivalent required
- Computer Skills: Basic Microsoft Word® and Excel. Remote courses will require a computer or tablet with a browser and internet access.
- Valid New York Driver’s License
- Interest in health and human services related work
- Proven eligibility to work in the U.S.
- Based on internship placement, participants may be required to provide medical clearance and proof of flu shot, complete a background check and/or drug screening

For further information, please visit ncc.edu/workforcedevelopment

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Take a step toward broader career opportunities, higher wages, a rewarding profession in health care and economic self-sufficiency!

Register today to attend a virtual orientation via Zoom to learn more about becoming a Community Health Worker.

**Orientation 1:**
Wednesday, April 7, 2021  
Time: 9:30 am - 10:30 am  
Location: Virtual Orientation/Online

**Orientation 2:**
Monday, April 19, 2021  
Time: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  
Location: Virtual Orientation/Online

**Orientation 3:**
Tuesday, April 27, 2021  
Time: 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Location: Virtual Orientation/Online

For further information or to RSVP, please contact:  
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**Many Roles Under One Umbrella of Community Health Worker**

- Health Adviser  
- Community Health Representative  
- Family Health Advocate  
- Community Educator  
- Patient Navigator  
- Outreach Worker  
- Community Coordinator  
- Patient Educator

Employers of Community Health Workers include hospitals, clinics, human service agencies and advocacy non-profits.

According to NYS Department of Labor, the Community Health Worker Median Wage on Long Island is $41,000.