Volunteer Description: SextEd Response Team

Purpose
SextEd is a program that provides sexual health education by answering youth questions through text messaging. Youth can text any questions they have related to sex, relationships, STIs, sexual diversity, etc., and a trained volunteer will answer within 24 hours. They can also get answers to our most frequently asked questions at sexted.org.

The overall goal is to reduce the rates of HIV and other STIs for Montreal-area youth by providing a confidential, inclusive, and convenient way for youth to access information about sexual health and healthy relationships.

Time Commitment
SextEd volunteers have a flexible schedule based on their availability. Volunteers are expected to complete an orientation and devote 2-4 hours per week for at least 6 months.

Main Responsibilities
- Answer youth questions by researching and drafting comprehensive responses in a team
- Update and contribute to a database of saved texts and online frequently asked questions.
- SextEd volunteers are encouraged to facilitate some of ACCM’s sex ed workshops and kiosks

Personal qualifications and skills
- Strong knowledge of HIV/AIDS, sexuality, sexual health and healthy relationships
- Commitment to principles of harm reduction and anti-oppression
- Strong English writing skills
- Ability to work autonomously and in a team
- Experience researching and discussing issues related to sexual health is an asset
- Familiarity with youth-appropriate language and writing for accessibility is an asset
- Experience with Wordpress, Slack or search engine optimization is an asset

People who are living with HIV or Hepatitis C, people of colour, people who are queer, trans, indigenous, and people who are a combination of these are encouraged to apply.

To Apply
To apply for this position fill out the Volunteer Application Form on ACCM’s website: accmontreal.org/volunteer. Please provide a detailed outline of your knowledge of sexual health and/or sexual health education experience.