EverThrive Illinois works to improve the health of women, children, and families over the lifespan through community engagement, partnerships, policy analysis, education, and advocacy. EverThrive IL provides leadership to five initiatives: Child and Adolescent Health, Health Care Reform, Immunizations, Healthy Lifestyles, and Health Disparities.

Internship Announcement
Reproductive Justice and Health Policy

The Reproductive Justice and Health Policy Intern will work with the Director of the Health Reform Initiative to provide support for organization wide efforts related to increasing access to health care through legislative and administrative advocacy, with a special focus on reproductive justice. This role consists primarily of research, writing and policy analysis activities. The intern will be a fully integrated member of the Health Reform team and will work closely with EverThrive IL's Policy Director. This is an advanced internship; the intern will have responsibility for multiple projects, with the guidance and support from the Director of the Health Reform Initiative.

EverThrive IL is seeking an intern who is available at least 20 hours per week; a flexible schedule may be created in partnership with the supervisor. Start and end dates are flexible, but EverThrive IL will give preference to an intern available from November through May. A monthly stipend of $500 will be provided. The intern will work from EverThrive IL’s office at 915 W Huron in Chicago.

Projects for the Reproductive Justice and Health Policy Intern include:

- Research and update EverThrive IL report on the scope of coverage, including communication regarding benefits, for birth control and abortion in private health insurance plans in Illinois
- Support qualitative data collection regarding the impact of family planning policies
- Research and draft fact sheets for EverThrive IL advocacy efforts (not limited to reproductive justice)
- Monitor and track relevant legislation at the state and federal level (not limited to reproductive justice)
- Maintain and update legislative contact lists
- Provide support for coalition meetings

Requirements and Qualifications:

- A strong commitment to increasing access to family planning and preventive reproductive health for all
- Coursework in at least one of the following: social science research methods, women's studies, public health, or public policy
- Strong oral and written communications skills
- Strong research skills
- Strong leadership capabilities, high motivation, reliability, and dedication
- Basic understanding of health insurance preferred
- A graduate student is preferred

Please send a resume, cover letter, and a 1-2 page writing sample to the Director of the Health Reform Initiative, Kathy Waligora, at kwaligora@everthriveil.org using subject line: Application for Health Policy Internship. No phone calls please. Applications must be submitted no later than 5pm on Thursday, October 29.