



SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE

Job Description

Job Title: Health Ministries Director	Type Of Position:	Hours Per Week <u> N/A </u>
Location: 302 Research Dr., Norcross, GA 30092	Full Time <u> X </u>	
Department: Health Ministries	Part Time <u> </u>	Exempt <u> X </u>
Reports To: President	Intern <u> </u>	Nonexempt <u> </u>

POSITION SUMMARY:

To bring awareness of biblical health principles to the membership of the Southern Union via its eight member conferences, as well as integrating with its departments through training, modeling, resourcing, and innovation, using the CREATION Health product/model.

SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY:

- Introduce and maintain the CREATION Health product as a wellness model to the Southern Union Conference staff. Collaborate with Adventist Health System (AHS) and Florida Hospital to develop a model that integrates with the current wellness model used by the Southern Union, retaining the exercise, financial incentive, reporting, and annual health check elements.
- Collaborate with Southern Union Departments to include the CREATION Health product as an added benefit to outreach. Special focus on the Publishing, Hispanic Ministries, and Ministerial departments. Produce materials in Spanish and other languages for the Magabook summer program and evangelism supplemental materials.
- Hold local training events such as pastors meetings, camp meetings, and weekend church events around the Southern Union territory.
- Continued collaboration with AHS to explore innovation possibilities to the CREATION Health product with the idea to make it easy for lay people of the Southern Union to access, teach, and provide to the communities they live in.
- Collaborate with the Education Department to find opportunities to teach the CREATION Health principles in our schools. Identify ways to adapt the material to be assimilated by elementary school aged children. Further study can be given to create a product for the teens as well, both for learning and possible summer income opportunities.
- Within the process of training, teaching, and innovation, find ways to showcase the health system/church collaboration. Highlight the fact that the church is working closely together with the “right hand of the Gospel.”
- Maintain a connection with Andrews University Theological Seminary.
- Develop and maintain a Church-Hospital mission and ministry partnership with the Executive and Senior leadership of AHS.
- Engage faith-based communities, government/secular leaders, and divisions within the Seventh-day Adventist entities and organizations in developing a mutual beneficial partnership to deliver health education programs/seminars and ministry initiatives.
- Catalyst for a revolutionary relationship with AHS and its 30 Seventh-day Adventist hospitals.
- Other duties as assigned by the President.

RECOMMENDED EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE:

- Bachelor's degree in related field
- Pastoral experience preferred
- Certified CREATION Health trainer and presenter

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL:

Knowledge of principles, policies, and beliefs of the Southern Union Conference and Seventh-day Adventist Church. Knowledge of church structure and organization, including committee procedures, etc. Knowledge and skills in appropriate methods of dealing with human behavior in various circumstances. Advanced command of language skills, including proficiency in verbal and written form.

Primary skill set: Leadership, vision, administration, communication and gifted relationally. Exceptional interpersonal and communication skills; outstanding training and coaching abilities; excellent organizational and follow-up skills; ability to identify opportunities and develop plans; team player; strategic thinker; the insight and willingness to align with operational initiatives. Skilled use of the Internet and Microsoft Office. Expert knowledge of CREATION Health.

CONTACTS, ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:

Contact with church leaders, outside organizations, and lay persons, as well as Southern Union personnel at all levels. Must possess advanced interpersonal skills and project a professional Christian image.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Must be able to read, speak, and hear in the English language. Must be able to effectively communicate both orally and in writing. Some standing, walking, bending, kneeling, climbing, crouching, twisting, reaching, carrying items of up to 50 lbs, etc. required. Must have the ability for far/near/color vision, depth perception, seeing fine details, hearing normal speech, and overhead pages, and telephone use. Must be able to travel extensively in all parts of the Southern Union territory under varying conditions.

MENTAL & EMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Ability to cope with high level of stress, make decisions under high pressure, cope with anger/fear/hostility of others in a calm way, manage altercations, concentration, handle a high degree of flexibility, handle multiple priorities in stressful situations, work alone, demonstrate high degree of patience; Ability to work in areas that are close and crowded.