Job Title: Parent Educator – Parents as Teachers

**Organization**: Knox County Health Department

Date Posted: January 7, 2025

Apply at: Parent Educator Job Detail

Location: 140 Dameron Ave, Knoxville, TN 37921

Type of Position: Full-time

**Number of Positions Available: 3** 

Education Requirement: Bachelor's Degree

**Experience:** 3 years

Hourly Salary: \$50, 505.00 (Annual Salary)

**Expected hours per week: 37.5** 

**Job description:** We are actively seeking a skilled **Parent Educator** to contribute to our team at the **Knox County Health Department**.

We offer *tuition reimbursement* and a *competitive compensation package* that includes a generous paid sick and vacation leave policy, 13 paid holidays, medical, dental, vision, flexible spending, employer paid basic life insurance, supplemental life insurance plans. Knox County also boasts a very rich retirement plan with a 6% match to start and is proud to offer paid maternity/paternity leave. This position may qualify you to apply for *Public Service Loan Forgiveness*.

As an employer of choice in the region, we pride ourselves on creating a positive and *healthy work environment* that prioritizes diversity and inclusion and fosters growth, workplace wellness, and *professional development*.

**Purpose of Job:** The purpose of this classification is to provide educational support and counseling activities to families with risk factors enrolled in the evidence-based Parents as Teachers home visitation program. Focus to be on healthy pregnancies, parent-child interaction and development-centered parenting and family well-being. This is a grant-funded position

**Essential Functions:** The Parents as Teachers, Parent Educator Position is responsible for the following essential functions:

- Provide educational support and counseling activities to parents with fidelity to Parents as
  Teachers (PAT) evidence-based program model and KCHD guidelines.
- Maintain required caseload of families, conducting personal visits with each enrolled family one to two times per month.
- Develop, prepare, and implement family plans based on the Parents as Teachers program requirements, regularly evaluating family progress and engaging family members to facilitate outcomes.
- Plan, conduct and participate in educational parent group activities and/or targeted community-based events, including some after-hours and/or weekend events.

## **Minimum Training & Qualifications**

- Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Studies, Education, Psychology, Social Work, or related field required; Nursing Degree preferred.
- Minimum of three (3) years' related experience
- Successfully complete Parents as Teachers certification training within eighteen (6) months of hire and engage in continuing professional education post-hire.
- Ability to communicate bilingually (English and Spanish) and non-smoking preferred.