



## Senior Legal Technical Advisor – Overdose Prevention Project

### Vital Strategies

Vital Strategies, based in New York City, is an international public health organization. We develop and oversee programs to strengthen public health systems and address leading causes of morbidity and mortality, providing expertise in project implementation and management, strategic communications, epidemiology and surveillance, and other core public health capacities. Our specific programs include road safety, obesity prevention, tobacco control, and activities to strengthen public health data systems and the use of public health data to guide policy and decision-making. Activities are based in low and middle-income countries and cities in Africa, Latin America, Asia and the Pacific. Please visit our website at [www.vitalstrategies.org](http://www.vitalstrategies.org) to find out more about our work.

Vital Strategies is seeking to add expertise in drug strategy, with specific focus on overdose prevention. This work will begin initially in the United States.

#### **The Position**

Vital Strategies is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Senior Technical Advisor (STA) for legislative and regulatory aspects of drug strategy, as part of the Overdose Prevention Project. The STA will participate in program planning and implementation activities related to technical interventions for reducing overdose deaths in specific U.S. states. The position is based in New York City; some domestic travel may be required for onsite engagement.

#### **Specific Duties**

- Serve as a member of the Overdose Prevention Project (OPP) leadership team
- Provide legal guidance on technical intervention planning and design
- Conduct regulatory reviews and provide legal opinions
- Analyze and summarize existing legislation relevant to drug use policies, programs, services
- Provide legal education and information to stakeholders for legislative and regulatory issues
- Other duties, as assigned

#### **Qualifications and Skill Set:**

- 5-10 years professional experience in public health or other public policy law
- JD degree in law; Public health law training preferred
- Familiarity with substance use/overdose/opioids policy, including related criminal justice issues, preferred but not necessary



**How to Apply:**

Please send a CV and cover letter, including salary expectations to [hr@vitalstrategies.org](mailto:hr@vitalstrategies.org) indicating the position applied for in the subject line. Closing date for applications is **October 12, 2018**. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Vital Strategies offers competitive compensation for full-time employees and pro-rata for part-time employees based on prior experience and qualifications as well as comprehensive benefits to best support our people. Benefits we offer include: health, dental and vision insurance where Vital Strategies pays generously towards the cost of these benefits for employees and their families/domestic partner; 15 paid vacation days (rising to 20 paid vacation days from fourth year of service and 25 from seventh year onwards), 13 paid federal holidays and paid days off between the Christmas and New Year's holidays; paid sick days; retirement savings plan; commuter benefits and basic life and personal accident insurance.