HIAS Pennsylvania Fellowship proposal synopsis: Representing minor survivors of sexual violence and their family members

HIAS Pennsylvania is now accepting applications from law students interested in pursuing a fellowship with our agency. The selected applicant will be sponsored by HIAS Pennsylvania in their application for a fellowship with organizations sponsoring legal fellows including the Independence Foundation, Equal Justice Works and other appropriate organizations.

The Fellowship will be focused on providing representation in immigration legal matters (*e.g.*, VAWA Self-Petitions, U and T visas, etc.) to minor survivors of sexual violence and their family members. The Fellow will network with and train providers in the greater Philadelphia area that are serving the target population. The Fellow will also participate in coordinated response efforts to address sexual violence of minors. The Fellow will liaison with law enforcement, family courts, and children and youth services to establish referral protocols, when possible, and advocate for clients' immigration-related needs. The Fellow will be supervised by the Managing Attorney of HIAS PA's Domestic Violence Initiative, which is composed of multiple attorneys, a paralegal and a case manager.

Interested applicants should send their cover letter and resume to Philippe Weisz, Director of Legal Services at pweisz@hiaspa.org. Please be sure to indicate "Fellowship Applicant - 2023" in your subject line.