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Freelancer seeks network science experts for the Network Science Threat Detection Challenge

*The challenge looks to tackle suicide, drug overdose, and ACEs through the use of latest network science advancements*

**SYDNEY, November 11th, 2021** - Freelancer Limited (ASX: FLN) (OTCQX: FLNCF), the world’s largest freelancing and crowdsourcing marketplace, is hosting the Detecting Emerging Health Threats in Injury and Violence Using Network Science Challenge in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This innovative competition will help CDC Injury Center improve efficiency and accuracy of public health threat identification and characterization.

The competition is used to harness the use of network science advances to better understand, analyze, and track CDC injury prevention priority issues such as suicide, drug overdose, and adverse childhood experiences (ACEs). CDC Injury Center wants to uncover anomalies in these topics using data on the timing, nature, and progression of one of these emerging health threats.

Network science has shown in previous research to be able to give us significant insights into many different aspects of health threats across the globe, whether it be physical, mental, or emotional in nature. By utilizing the freelance and crowdsourcing community, the goal is to find something truly helpful in tracking and identifying trends and anomalies involving suicide, drug overdose and/or childhood trauma.

The challenge will include multiple designations and requirements as outlined in the challenge guidelines. Participants will need to:
An Evaluation Panel will judge entries based on the rubric developed by Freelancer and CDC Injury Center. **Winners will receive a share of the US$16,000 prize.**

“Freelancer is incredibly excited to collaborate with CDC Injury Center for this Detecting Emerging Health Threats in Injury and Violence Using Network Science Competition with the total prize of US$16,000. We can’t wait to see the solutions to these serious issues through dedicated teamwork with our outstanding crowdsourcing community,” said Freelancer Limited Chief Executive Matt Barrie.

To join the challenge, please visit:  

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