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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Health Policy Analyst/ Senior Health Policy Analyst

The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a highly respected national policy institute, is seeking a health policy analyst to focus on emerging health reform efforts in states across the country. The Center has attained a reputation for its unique capacity to blend rigorous, timely analyses with activities designed to enable policymakers, the media, and advocates to make use of its work.

The Center's health policy division undertakes extensive work at both the state and federal levels to strengthen health coverage among low-income populations by analyzing proposed changes in government policies, designing new approaches to covering low-income families and individuals, providing technical assistance to policymakers, conducting research on implications of health policy choices, and working with other federal and state nonprofits on these issues.

With a goal of influencing state policy debates and decisions, the analyst will evaluate proposals for state health reform in individual states and across states, author papers and other materials, and develop policy options for audiences of policymakers, the press, and state nonprofits. He or she will work in close partnership with state policy and advocacy organizations that work to secure health reform policies that are beneficial to low-income families and individuals. This collaborative work includes providing technical assistance in developing and analyzing policy proposals and providing guidance on strategy and building state coalitions. The analyst will coordinate efforts with other national organizations working on state health reform and other Center staff working on health and state fiscal issues. Depending on the skill level of the applicant, the position may offer opportunities for public speaking, the delivery of testimony, and interactions with the press.

Candidates should have a strong background in health policy, including an understanding of the barriers low- and moderate income people face in obtaining health coverage; knowledge of the interaction among public programs, employer-provided health insurance, and the individual health insurance market; and familiarity with issues that arise in state health reform initiatives such as individual and employer mandates, pooling of risk, guaranteed issue, and ERISA. Ideally, the applicant will have significant experience in working with policy makers, advocates and other constituencies to develop policy options and strategies to achieve change. Excellent analytic and communications skills, including writing and public speaking, and some ability to travel are essential.

Compensation: Salary commensurate with experience, excellent benefits, including two health insurance options and dental coverage, life and long-term disability insurance, retirement, MERP, DCAP, and generous vacation, sick leave, and holiday schedules.

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