

SEEKING HEALTH POLICY ANALYST

Organization Overview: The Center for Public Policy Priorities (CPPP), in Austin, Texas, is a nonpartisan, nonprofit research organization committed to improving public policies to better the economic and social conditions of low- and moderate-income Texans. We influence public policy by making policy recommendations based upon sound policy research and data analysis. You can learn more about the center at www.cppp.org.

Job Overview: The center seeks a health policy analyst to focus on achieving access to health care for all Texans. The analyst will work under the direction of Associate Director, Anne Dunkelberg, who has led the center's health-related work since 1994. Our health care team works at both the state and federal level to strengthen health coverage by analyzing proposed changes in government policies, offering new approaches to covering families and individuals, providing technical assistance to policymakers, conducting research on implications of health policy choices, and collaborating with others. This position offers opportunities to engage in research, writing, speaking, testifying, and interacting with the press on health care policy.

Candidate Qualities: We will consider candidates with varying levels of experience. While no candidate will have every desirable quality, the ideal candidate would have: a strong desire to be part of a policy analysis and advocacy team working to reduce Texas' uninsured rate; a background and interest 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); experience working with policymakers, advocates, and others to develop policy options and strategies to achieve change; strong analytic and communications skills (including writing and public speaking); willingness to participate in building and sustaining coalitions; demonstrated interest in social justice; ability to undertake moderate travel; and proficiency with basic data analysis and graphic presentation software (Excel and PowerPoint). Relevant educational experience desired, and graduate degree or professional degree preferred.

Compensation: Salary will be commensurate with experience. The center offers excellent benefits, including health insurance, dental insurance, life and long-term disability insurance, retirement, and generous vacation, leave, and holidays. We are looking for a full-time analyst, but for the ideal candidate we might have some flexibility over hours. However, our new analyst must work in our Austin office.

To Apply: Email a cover letter explaining your interest and a resume with your qualifications to <u>analystjob@cppp.org</u> before February 1. We will accept applications only by e-mail. *All applications will be kept strictly confidential.*

Equal Opportunity: The center is an equal opportunity employer and encourages all qualified applicants to apply.