

Community Catalyst

Field Coordinator: State Health Advocacy Program

Join an organization at the forefront of health care advocacy around the nation

Community Catalyst is a national not-for-profit consumer advocacy organization working to build a health justice movement. Based in Boston MA, the organization develops new approaches to strengthen the voices of consumers and communities, organize vulnerable constituencies, and build the kinds of organizations and coalitions that can advocate effectively for health care reforms. Community Catalyst staff members work with consumer and community groups in more than 30 states that are advocating for – and winning – health policy and system reforms which benefit consumers. Additional information about Community Catalyst can be found at www.communitycatalyst.org.

This position is within Community Catalyst's State Health Advocacy Program. The goal of the program is to build state-based consumer advocacy capacity for achieving increased health coverage and improved access to care in targeted states. Its primary goal is to:

- Strengthen the capacity of consumer health advocacy organizations to impact policies related to health coverage and access to care in targeted states

The Field Coordinator provides and coordinates a broad range of policy-based technical assistance to state and local consumer organizations. These services include policy analysis, campaign strategy assistance, and assistance in designing targeted community organizing efforts, training, coalition-building fundraising and media assistance.

SUPERVISION

The Field Coordinator will work closely with project leadership and project partners and will report directly to the Director of State Health Advocacy program.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Offer tailored support to state-based organizations. Support will include:
 - policy analysis;
 - strategic advice
 - coalition-building;
 - outreach tools;
 - advocacy training;
 - development of educational materials for use at local level.
- Facilitate the integration of Community Catalyst federal and state campaign activities, including organizing, communications and products, where appropriate
- Coordinate with other Community Catalyst field and campaign staff, as necessary
- Function as program team member assisting with program design, proposal development and planning
- Assist Community Catalyst staff and directors in other relevant work projects, as appropriate

Competencies and Qualifications

- Campaign knowledge, experience and expertise and/or community organizing experience, including grassroots empowerment or coalition are a requirement
- Health policy knowledge a plus
- Experience running issue/public policy campaigns including mobilizing stakeholders and implementing communications strategies
- Strong research and writing skills
- Communication skills including public speaking, and training
- Ability to grasp and analyze substantive, often complex, health policy and political information
- Ability to convey complex information in a way that is easily understood by non-experts
- Ability to manage several projects at once, respond to tight timelines and operate effectively in a fast-paced environment
- Strong organizational skills, track record of following through to achieve results
- Strong leadership, relationship development, collaborative, and team building skills
- Master's degree preferred
- 5+ years professional work experience in a related field or position
- Travel required
- Bilingual/bicultural background highly desirable

Benefits

- Competitive Salary
- Generous paid time off policy
- Robust benefits package
- Convenient downtown Boston location

Applicants should submit a resume with a one page cover letter briefly summarizing their interest in and qualifications for the position to: jobs@communitycatalyst.org. Please put "State Field Coordinator" in the Subject line.

Community Catalyst is an equal opportunity employer with a demonstrated commitment to diversity in the workplace.

For more information on Community Catalyst please go to www.communitycatalyst.org.