22-04 HEALTH POLICY ANALYST

Health Analysis Division

The Congressional Budget Office is a small nonpartisan agency that provides economic, policy, and budgetary analysis to the Congress. The Health Analysis Division (HAD) seeks a health policy analyst to contribute to a variety of projects, analyses, and modeling. The analyst will work closely with other CBO staff to prepare information, studies, and testimony for the Congress. Furthermore, CBO's analysts are encouraged to describe both the agency's projects and their own research in CBO working papers and submissions to academic journals.

HAD's recently completed work includes an analysis of the effects of changes in future revenues on prescription drug development, an analysis of the costs of proposals for illustrative single-payer health care systems, an analysis of the uninsured population, long-term projections of spending in federal health care programs, and a study of how a "public option" offered in nongroup health insurance markets might be designed. Ongoing work includes studies on a broad range of topics, such as factors affecting the supply of, demand for, and prices of medical services. The successful candidate will contribute to developing new studies and to designing and improving the state-of-the-art analytical models that underlie CBO's studies and cost estimates for proposed legislation.

Topics of analyses will shift over time, providing new opportunities to develop and contribute. The analyst will produce research reports and manuscripts about issues affecting the federal government and interact with a large network of academic and industry specialists. The analyst will also collaborate with analysts in CBO's Budget Analysis Division to develop cost estimates for legislation and baseline estimates of the cost of government programs.

Qualifications

Applicants must have an advanced degree in policy analysis, health policy, economics, or a related discipline and at least five years of relevant experience. Applicants should be able to initiate and complete research projects, both independently and with a team, and want to work on issues of current or potential legislative interest to the Congress. Applicants must have strong quantitative skills, experience using large data files, and knowledge of the institutional details of health care markets. The position requires excellent communication skills and the ability to clearly present work orally and in writing to nontechnical audiences. Experience managing the written work of other analysts is a plus. People who are not citizens of the United States should review the agency's citizenship requirements or contact careers@cbo.gov for assistance in determining eligibility.

Salary and Benefits

Salaries at CBO are competitive and commensurate with experience, education, and other qualifications. CBO offers excellent benefits and a collegial, respectful work environment.

How to Apply

Please submit a cover letter, a résumé, a brief writing sample, salary history, and contact information for three references at www.cbo.gov/careers. Recent graduates should submit an unofficial copy of academic transcripts and have letters of recommendation sent to careers@cbo.gov in place of the references. In addition, please submit a sample of computer code that addresses a common programming problem—for example, a merge, a query that restricts a data set to certain groups, code that generates reports or visual output, or code that uses macros. The code submitted should be no longer than 200 lines.

To ensure consideration, apply by November 28, 2021. Only complete applications will be considered. This position is governed by the Veterans Employment Opportunities Act, as made applicable by the Congressional Accountability Act, as amended.

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