

Puget Sound Health Alliance Position Description

Director of Health Information

The Puget Sound Health Alliance was created to forge a sustainable leadership coalition among patients, providers, purchasers, and health plans to design and implement an innovative, high quality, and affordable health care system in the Puget Sound region. One important component of this effort is to implement a shared, regional public/private health data system for reporting quality, resource use, and appropriateness measures.

To lead these efforts, the Alliance needs an exceptionally strong and experienced Director to manage health information operations and implement health technology strategies, including clinical data integration. The position will work directly with industry experts and top executives among purchasers, providers, and health plans in the Puget Sound region. This position includes the following responsibilities:

- Lead and provide project management for the successful implementation and operations of Alliance health information and technology strategies, including:
 - conceptualizing the vision for performance measurement at the Alliance
 - maintaining, improving, and expanding the underlying data infrastructure to produce the Alliance's signature performance report, the Community Checkup, which includes measures of quality, resource use, and appropriateness
 - strategic leadership of Alliance data infrastructure and reporting portfolio, including:
 - evaluation of the measure set for currency and relevance
 - development and implementation of new measures and reports
 - interpretation of measurement results
 - knowledge of national performance measurement and reporting landscape
 - development of new data sources, e.g. provider electronic medical records
- Represent the Alliance on health information and technology issues at the local, state, and national levels;
- Contribute to Alliance strategy and operations as a collegial member of the Alliance senior leadership team;
- Supervise the work and development of other Alliance staff in health information-related positions;

- Staff the Alliance Health Information & Technology Committee and the Data Stewardship Committee; and
- Perform other duties and responsibilities as assigned.

Salary: dependent on experience.

Education: Bachelor's degree required; Master's degree strongly preferred.

Qualifications: The position will have the following qualifications:

- proven leadership experience managing the collection and aggregation of health service data for analysis and reporting
- well-organized and capable of managing several complex, multi-part projects simultaneously
- proven experience with vendor management (preferably with data system vendors)
- effective in managing staff and their development
- demonstrated ability to produce and deliver clear and well-organized presentations on complex health information topics for audiences with widely varied backgrounds and levels of familiarity including employers, health professionals, physicians and health plan representatives
- experience in creating effective statistical displays of health information that are actionable by a wide range of audiences (providers, consumers, health plans, and purchasers)
- familiarity with health informatics and health information technology at the national and regional levels (experience in HIT strategy development preferred)
- excellent communication skills (written, verbal, and listening)
- experience in physician and hospital performance measurement of quality, resource use, and efficiency
- a quick study for learning new, leading-edge topics
- strong quantitative aptitude
- experience with electronic health records is desirable

If interested in the position, please send resume and salary requirements to:

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