

Organization: HEALTH ACCESS FOUNDATION **Summer Internship – non-paid**

Locations:

Los Angeles Office

1930 Wilshire Blvd.

Oakland Office

414 13th Street

Sacramento Office

1127 11th Street

Health Access is a nonprofit organization dedicated to achieving quality, affordable health care for all Californians, and a statewide coalition of member organizations representing seniors, children, people with disabilities, immigrants, communities of color, health care professionals, people of faith, labor, and working families. For over twenty years, Health Access has been a leader in the state's health care reform movement.

Expectation of Interns:

The primary focus of the internship will be to assist the Health Access staff organizer(s) conduct community outreach and education with coalition partners on the issues surrounding state and federal health care reform.

There will also be opportunities to attend various health care coalition convenings with partner organizations, and to learn first-hand about the process of health care reform in California and the role of consumer advocacy and policy analysis in that effort.

Types of activities include:

- Outreach and relationship building with local and statewide organizations
- Consumer education and outreach
- Assist with preparation and coordination of public events (Town Halls, Lectures, Neighborhood Forums, Tabling Events)
- Attendance and participation in coalition meetings and conference calls
- Assist with press and media events
- Story collection efforts to document individuals' experience with the health care and insurance system. Part of the story collection process may include contacting some individuals to verify information and obtain more detail about their specific situation, and then enter information about vetted stories into our story database.

Qualifications of Interns:

- Good organization, writing, public speaking, and computer skills.
- Read and comprehend general instructions, correspondence, and memos.
- Write professional correspondence.
- Analytical approach to problem-solving.
- Excellent communications and interpersonal skills.
- Comfortable interacting with people from various socio-economic and cultural backgrounds.
- Have strong organizational skills, and ability to stay focused with attention to detail.
- Ability to communicate in a language other than English is a plus, but not required.
- General familiarity with health issues, California state politics, and nonprofit advocacy are a plus, but not required.

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