

17-23 HEALTH CARE ANALYST

Budget Analysis Division

The Congressional Budget Office is a small nonpartisan agency that provides economic and budgetary analysis to the Congress. CBO's [Budget Analysis Division](#) seeks an analyst to focus on coverage of mental health and substance abuse services in the Medicaid program and in related programs administered by the Department of Health and Human Services.

CBO's health analysts work closely with key Congressional staff as they develop federal health care policy. They prepare multiyear spending projections for federal health care programs, analyze the Administration's budget proposals, and prepare cost estimates for legislation being considered by the Senate and House of Representatives. That legislation may consist of a wide range of proposals to modify the financing or delivery of health care—for example, proposals to modify the set of health care services that federal programs cover, the terms under which the federal government will pay for services, or the amount that the federal government or beneficiaries will pay for covered services.

The Congress relies on such analyses to prepare its annual budget plan, evaluate the President's budget proposals, and measure the potential budgetary consequences of policy proposals.

Qualifications

Applicants must have a graduate degree in public policy, public administration, public health, economics, or a related field. This position requires the following:

- Strong skills in quantitative methods;
- The desire to make a direct contribution to the development of health policy in a nonpartisan setting;
- The ability to develop and maintain spreadsheet models for analysis of health policies;
- Experience applying empirical evidence to policy analysis;
- The ability to clearly explain and defend analytical results orally and in writing to colleagues, Congressional staff, Members of Congress, and the public; and
- The ability to work on many projects simultaneously, frequently under tight deadlines.

Recent experience in policy analysis is required. Knowledge of the federal budget process and health care financing and familiarity with Medicaid or other federal health care programs is strongly preferred.

Salary and Benefits

The salary is competitive and will be commensurate with education and related experience. CBO offers [excellent benefits](#) and a collegial, respectful work environment.

How to Apply

Please submit a cover letter, résumé, salary history, a brief writing sample, and contact information for three references at www.cbo.gov/careers. Recent graduates should submit an unofficial copy of graduate transcripts. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Although there is no deadline, this position may be closed when CBO has received a sufficient number of applications from qualified candidates. This position is covered by the Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998, as made applicable to CBO by the Congressional Accountability Act, as amended.

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