

New England Healthcare Institute
HEALTH POLICY INTERNSHIP
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Founded in 2002 and headquartered in Cambridge, MA, the New England Healthcare Institute (NEHI) is a national health policy organization specializing in identifying innovative strategies for improving health care quality and reducing health care costs. NEHI conducts independent, high quality research that supports evidence-based health policy recommendations regionally and nationally. Member representatives from the academic health center, biotechnology, employer, medical device, payer, pharmaceutical, provider and research communities bring an unusual diversity of talent to bear on NEHI's work. We collectively address critical health care issues through our action-oriented research, education and policy initiatives.

NEHI is currently recruiting for a Health Policy Intern, an ideal position for graduate or experienced undergraduate students interested in health care and life science issues. The internship will run from approximately May to August, 2010, with a commitment of 10 to 15 hours per week. Start and end dates are flexible. A stipend is available for this position.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provide research support to NEHI's initiative on waste and inefficiency in the U.S. health care system, which focuses on examining waste in clinical care and financing systems
- Assist with NEHI's research on medical innovation; ongoing projects include the impact of comparative effectiveness research (CER) on patient care, and the use of telemedicine to improve health care delivery
- Support NEHI's research on prevention and wellness, including NEHI's work in the Boston area to increase healthy behaviors and improve health outcomes
- Conduct systematic literature reviews and background research
- Analyze data and synthesize findings
- Schedule and participate in interviews of experts and senior industry leaders
- Assist in the development of policy initiatives related to NEHI's research findings
- Support the NEHI team as requested, in areas such as membership and meeting/event planning

SKILLS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- Demonstrated research experience in public health, health policy or life sciences
- Ability to synthesize information from multiple sources (academic journals, newspapers, online publications, interviews, etc.)
- Ability to interact with senior level leaders in the health care industry and community
- Strong computer and Internet proficiency, including PubMed and Microsoft office applications
- Excellent communication skills: written and verbal
- Ability to work in a highly collaborative team environment
- Able to commit to a minimum of 10 hours per week

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE:

- Third or fourth-year undergraduate students acceptable, graduate-level students in public policy, public health, health policy, or other related program with focus on health care strongly preferred
- Prior work experience in consulting, health care, or an academic research setting preferred but not required
- Demonstrated interest/experience in health care

TO APPLY:

Interested candidates should email a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to careers@nehi.net. Please reference "Health Policy Internship" in the subject line of the email.

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