

California School-Based Health Alliance is Hiring an Advocacy Manager!

Position Title: Advocacy Manager **Classification:** Exempt salaried

Hours: Full Time (32-40 hours per week)

Location: Preservation Park, Oakland, CA. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this position is currently remote. We

are in the process of assessing onsite and remote work needs and may become a hybrid organization, predominantly remote with some in-office meetings expected. Employees must live in California.

Reports to: Policy Director

Salary: \$65,000-\$75,000 commensurate with experience, very competitive benefits package

ABOUT US

California School-Based Health Alliance (CSHA) is the leading voice in California for the movement to put health care where kids are—in school. We are committed to school-based health as a strategy for increasing health equity and reducing educational disparities. We are also committed to developing school-based health practices that go beyond traditional medical care and incorporate public health approaches to changing the social determinants of health. We are advancing school-based health through advocacy, trainings, technical assistance, strategic communications and special events. Please review our website to learn more about our work: www.schoolhealthcenters.org.

POSITION SUMMARY

The Advocacy Manager will support CSHA's local, state, and federal policy agenda by working with school-based health centers (SBHCs) and local partners to build grassroots advocacy skills and capacity-building. This position will also be responsible for understanding select areas of CSHA's policy work and contributing to state-level policy and advocacy strategies (such as budget or legislative advocacy). Once safe to do so, this position will require regular travel to Sacramento and throughout California for meetings and occasionally to Washington, D.C.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Elevate Youth Project

- Coordinates a statewide project to support the implementation of activities in schools and school-based health centers (SBHCs) that address youth advocacy and engagement, substance use prevention, and non-punitive approaches to student substance use.
- Builds expertise around youth engagement practices and advocacy approaches to replace punitive discipline responses with healing-centered, public health approaches.
- Creates strong partnerships with local and statewide partners involved in the project. Identifies and shares best practices and learning around youth engagement and advocacy strategies.
- Works with the Program Team to train and identify subject matter expertise to train SBHC staff and youth advocates.
- Manages project deliverables and grant reporting requirements.

State and local advocacy

- Guides SBHCs and supporters through advocacy strategies and tactics that build support and increase
 resources for SBHCs. This includes but is not limited to building relationships between local SBHCs and
 health plans and educating policymakers through local office visits, presentations, health center tours,
 advocacy days, office visits in Sacramento, etc.
- Works with Policy Director to implement a legislative outreach program designed to build support for SBHCs among key state and federal legislators.
- Supports the development and implementation of CSHA's policy agenda.
- Works with Policy Director and Communications Director to develop policy updates and calls-to-action for newsletters and social media.
- Works with Youth Engagement Coordinator to support and coach CSHA's Youth Board on advocacy strategies and projects as needed.
- Conducts research and gathers information to support the development of CSHA's policy agenda and advocacy strategies, as needed.
- Serves as representative of CSHA on local or state coalitions, as needed.

Other

- Serves as liaison to partner organizations, as needed.
- Contributes to funding proposals and grant reports, as needed.
- Reports to Policy Director on a regular basis through scheduled supervision meetings and actively
 participates in staff meetings and ongoing teambuilding activities.
- Actively and productively participates in CSHA's anti-racism efforts.
- Other duties as assigned by supervisor.

IDEAL COMPETENCIES

- Experience planning and leading youth development and engagement activities.
- Experience project planning and managing grant deliverables.
- Excellent ability to cultivate trusting relationships with external partners and manage project partners.
- Experience tracking, researching, and engaging in local and/or state policy-making and advocacy efforts.
- Excellent written, interpersonal, and verbal communication skills, including the ability to build trust and rapport with adolescents and young adults from diverse backgrounds.
- Experience working in school or clinical settings highly desirable.
- Excellent analytical and organizational skills.
- Ability to travel, including overnights, and to work evening or weekend hours as needed.
- Bachelor's degree in public health, social work, public policy, or related fields are preferred.

How to Apply:

Applicants should email a resume and thoughtful cover letter to jobs@schoolhealthcenters.org. Please include Advocacy Manager 2022 in the subject of your email. Only those being considered will be contacted. No phone calls please.

The California School-Based Health Alliance is an equal opportunity employer that actively pursues and hires a diverse workforce. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, ancestry, color, disability (mental or physical), gender identity or expression, genetic information, marital status, medical condition, military veteran status, national origin, political affiliation, pregnancy, race, religion or creed, sex, sexual orientation, or any other factor that is not related to the job.