

Research Assistant

About HCCI

The Health Care Cost Institute (HCCI) is an independent, non-profit research institute located in Washington, D.C. with a mission to produce and promote research and analyses on the causes of rising U.S. health spending. HCCI maintains a national, multi-payer, longitudinal dataset covering 55 million lives containing previously inaccessible data on the private health insurance market in addition to 100% Medicare Fee-for-Service, Medicare Advantage Encounter, and Medicaid claims data, representing over half of the U.S. population. Researchers and policymakers use HCCI's data to study the health care system, evaluate existing and new policies, and assess quality. HCCI's own multi-disciplinary team of researchers produces reports of import to major stakeholders in health care in an academic but fast-paced environment. HCCI partners on projects with multiple leading academic institutions around the U.S., collaborates with media organizations such as The New York Times, Vox, The Washington Post, NBC, and KHN, and provides insights and recommendations to national and state legislators. For further information, please visit our website at www.healthcostinstitute.org.

Exciting Opportunity to Use the Best Data to Assess and Address Health Care's Most Pressing Challenges

We are looking for a Research Assistant to join our dynamic team to advance HCCI's mission. This position is ideal for candidates looking to conduct empirical research in preparation for an advanced degree in a quantitative field as well as those interested in becoming deeply immersed in the many facets of health care and related policy.

The Research Assistant will

- Conduct literature reviews to shape and provide context for HCCI's original research
- Co-author HCCI issue briefs, blogs, interactive tools, and external publications
- Create data visualizations that translate and make accessible to lay audiences complex research findings
- Analyze secondary data sources in support of HCCI's research activities
- Support HCCI's organizational operational activities as needed (e.g. liaise with external research teams)

In our candidates, we look for

- Proactive and entrepreneurial spirit and a desire to work in an exciting and demanding environment
- Excellent organizational and time management skills with the ability to organize, prioritize, and manage multiple projects at once
- Detail oriented problem solvers with a sense of resourcefulness

- Ability to work in a collegial and learning work environment
- Demonstrated interest (with some academic or work background) in health policy
- Quantitative background in economics, statistics, computer science, public health or other quantitative field
- Ability to communicate clearly, verbally and in writing, especially about quantitative findings for non-quantitative audiences
- Capacity to visualize data using Tableau or similar tools
- Demonstrated experience analyzing health care data, Medicare, Medicaid, and commercial claims data a plus
- Aptitude using statistical analytic software, such as STATA or SAS, demonstrated by work experience using those programs a plus

The annual salary for this position ranges from \$50,000 to \$60,000. HCCI also provides competitive benefits to full-time employees, including 403B retirement with employer contribution, health insurance, gym reimbursement, and other benefits. HCCI is based in Washington, DC, and there is a strong preference for someone based in or who can relocate to DC for this position. (Relocation expenses not covered.)

Proof of COVID-19 vaccination (including booster) is required for employment at HCCI.

To apply, please send a resume and cover letter to careers@healthcostinstitute.org.

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