

# **DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC INITIATIVES**

## Job Announcement

Mental Health Colorado is the state's leading advocate for the prevention and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders. We are a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization and an affiliate of Mental Health America. We are hiring an individual to oversee our work with local government and local communities.

## **ESSENTIAL JOB DUTIES**

- Refine and implement the organization's strategic plan related to assisting local government in understanding community need, enhancing support for mental health and expanding access to mental health and substance use services
- Conduct outreach to local government officials and community members to engage communities who
  require assistance building mentally healthy communities and expanding access to mental health and
  substance use services
- Work with Colorado cities and counties on ballot initiatives supporting expanded funding for mental health
  and substance use disorders by providing consultation on ballot language, polling language and strategies
  to build public support for funding measures
- Oversee the content development of toolkits and other resources that assist local government in assessing community need and implementing strategies to enhance mental health and expand access to mental health and substance use services
- Develop and implement a system to track and share best practices across local communities
- Monitor local needs and identify and promote state legislative, budgetary and regulatory initiatives that will assist local communities to enhance mental wellness and expand access to mental health and substance use services
- Supervise staff and interns

### REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree in political science, social science or related field
- Excellent written and oral communications skills
- Knowledge of state and local government and politics
- Ability to work both as a team member and a team-lead as dictated by project
- Ability to travel within the state at least monthly to build support for local initiatives
- Have a commitment to the cause of mental wellness and increased access to mental health and substance use services

### **COMPENSATION/BENEFITS**

This position is a full-time, 40-hour per week, exempt position. The salary range for this position is negotiable based on experience. In addition to salary, the compensation package for this position includes health insurance benefits, paid vacation and holiday pay.

Applicants should email a cover letter, resume and writing sample by April 12, 2019 to <a href="mailto:info@mentalhealthcolorado.org">info@mentalhealthcolorado.org</a>; please use the subject line "Director of Strategic Initiatives". Only electronic submissions will be accepted. We regret that we cannot respond to every applicant; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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