18-02 HEALTH CARE ANALYST

Budget Analysis Division

The Congressional Budget Office is a small, nonpartisan agency that provides economic and budgetary analysis to the Congress. The Budget Analysis Division is seeking an analyst who will focus primarily on the Medicare program.

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 impact 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:

- Recent experience in policy analysis;
- 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 microsimulation and spreadsheet models for analysis of health policies;
- The ability to clearly explain and defend analytic 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.

Knowledge of health care financing, familiarity with Medicare or other federal health care programs, and experience in analyzing health care policy by using SAS to work with large data sets 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, short writing sample, unofficial transcripts if recently graduated, and contact information for three references at www.cbo.gov/careers. Although there is no deadline, this position may be closed when CBO has received a sufficient number of applications from qualified candidates. Incomplete applications will not be considered. 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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