## CHILDREN AT RISK – Remote Intern FALL 2020 Child Health and Wellness Internship

CHILDREN AT RISK is currently seeking candidates to fill Fall 2020 internship positions in the Center for Child Health Research and Policy, working in the fields of health and child nutrition. The selected candidates will have the opportunity to learn from a dedicated and collaborative group of policy experts who work strategically to use their knowledge and ongoing research about child and maternal health to influence policy decisions.

Founded in 1989, CHILDREN AT RISK is a research and advocacy group dedicated to improving the quality of life of Texas' children in the areas of physical and mental health, education, human trafficking, basic needs and juvenile justice reform. We are a leading source of information on children's issues and an advocate and catalyst for change concerning the needs of all children in Texas.

## **Responsibilities:**

Specific responsibilities will be dependent upon each candidate's skills, career goals, interests and CHILDREN AT RISK's priorities. CHILDREN AT RISK expects that this internship will be used as a career development tool for the selected candidates and hopes to maximize the selected individual's internship experience.

We are seeking dedicated and focused candidates that possess excellent communication and collaboration skills to assist in advocacy efforts across our issue areas, with a special emphasis on public education and early childhood health. CHILDREN AT RISK staff are currently working remotely due to COVID-19; Interns will collaborate with the CHILDREN AT RISK team via Microsoft Teams, Zoom email and telephone calls.

## Potential projects include:

- School Best Practices Research: Identifying best practices of schools with high populations of economically disadvantaged students and high Latino populations that are achieving success in the realm of child nutrition and feeding programs.
- School Food Rankings: Analyzing, studying trends and creating communications (blogs, white papers, etc.) from our annual Texas School Food Rankings work.
- **Early Childhood Nutrition:** Identify best practices and be part of a high-functioning team to create solutions around feeding programs and quality of programs for children 0-5 years.
- **Public Health:** Analyzing best practices, areas of high need and available options around facilitation of immunizations in Texas.

## **Preferred qualifications**

We are in search of dedicated individuals to be key members of our team. Demonstrated interest in child health and wellness is strongly preferred, as well as a working knowledge of Excel, Teams and other Office solutions. A sense of humor and a passion for social justice issues, along with the belief that education and advocacy on children's issues are essential for societal improvement are strong plusses.

All candidates must be professional, with good written and verbal communication skills. Candidates should have a strong work ethic, positive attitude, and work well individually and in a team-oriented environment.

Benefits include a fun and engaging office atmosphere, recognition for tangible products that will benefit the organization beyond the summer, and the ability to have an impact on Texas children.

**Application Instructions:** Our positions are competitive and fill quickly. Interested candidates should submit a resume, a brief letter of interest, and a writing sample to Anna Hardway at <u>ahardway@childrenatrisk.org</u>. The deadline to submit applications for the position is September 14, 2020. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. For information on CHILDREN AT RISK and the Center for Child Health Research & Policy (CCHRP) please visit <u>www.childrenatrisk.org</u>.

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