Position Available - Campaign Director, Access to Medicines

Public Citizen serves as the people’s voice in the nation’s capital. For four decades, we have proudly championed citizen interests before Congress, the executive branch agencies and the courts. We have successfully challenged the abusive practices of the pharmaceutical, nuclear and automobile industries, and many others. We are leading the charge against undemocratic trade agreements that advance the interests of mega-corporations at the expense of citizens worldwide.

Public Citizen’s access to medicines and knowledge economy group challenges the drug corporations’ monopoly power to make medicines affordable for all. We also fight for consumer interests related to intellectual property and the information economy, with recent examples including internet freedom and privacy. We analyze new developments in policy and law. We lobby, organize and provide technical assistance to partners in the U.S. and around the world.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF POSITION: The Campaign Director will organize and support country-level and international access campaigns with our global partners to end treatment rationing. The Campaign Director will provide technical assistance to public agencies and international organizations, build coalitions and envision and implement new political and access strategies.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provide technical assistance, written comments and oral testimony to international organizations, government agencies, legislatures and civil society organizations, among others.
- Organize access to medicine campaigns with partners, particularly supporting developing countries.
- Analyze current and proposed government and corporate policies that affect medicine access and pricing and recommend strategies to address them.
- Speak to press and at public events representing Public Citizen.
- Manage relationships with partners and build coalitions to support access to medicines.
- Draft and edit reports and campaign materials.
- Support fundraising including by conceptualizing and drafting grant proposals and grant reports.
- Oversee staff, fellows and interns as required.
- Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS: Ideal candidates will demonstrate highly relevant:

- Knowledge: Relevant subject matter expertise required. This may include access to medicines, health rights, intellectual property, pharmacoeconomics, health systems or trade agreements, among others.
- Work Experience: Several years post-graduate professional experience, or doctorate or equivalent, required. Several years advocacy experience required.
• Skills: Excellent advocacy, communications, writing and analysis skills required. Advance professional method skills preferred (example: legal research). Cross-cultural facility and language skills preferred.
• Capabilities: Ability to work alone and in collaboration; attention to detail and technical accuracy; ability to envision project development and complete work on deadline; commitment to standing up to corporate power; flexibility and ability to respond quickly to new developments.
• Conditions: Passion for justice; commitment to advancing the public interest; strong interest in the subject of access to medicines; good humor. The position requires at least some, and potentially intensive, travel.

**SALARY AND BENEFITS:** Competitive salary commensurate with experience. Good medical and dental coverage. Three weeks paid vacation for new employees and more.

**TO APPLY:** Submit a note of interest, resume or C.V., two reference contacts and two writing samples unedited by anyone other than the applicant to medsaccess@citizen.org. This is a grant-contingent position.

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