

# **Director of Public Policy and Advocacy**

Experience: 7+ years

Education: B.A. in Politics, Public Policy, Government, History or related field; advanced degree

preferred, but not required

National nonprofit seeks a Director of Public Policy and Advocacy. The successful candidate will lead the pursuit of sound and compassionate public policies that support vulnerable Americans including seniors, children, youth and families, veterans and more.

## Responsibilities:

Represent the Lutheran Services in America before Congress, the Administration, regulatory agencies, national organizations and coalitions. Equip Lutheran Services in America members with the resources, materials and training to effectively advocate on behalf of the people they support. Analyze, monitor and engage on Medicaid, Medicare and related legislation and regulation as well as other issues related to the health and well-being of seniors, children, youth, families and veterans. Develop and execute advocacy strategies to preserve and protect Medicaid. Draft legislative language, talking points and related advocacy materials. Develop, review and submit regulatory comments.

#### Qualifications:

Deep knowledge of U.S. government, the legislative process, regulatory agencies and health and/or social service programs. In-depth knowledge of Medicaid and/or social safety net issues preferred. Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to successfully and maturely interact with both internal and external audiences and represent the organization publicly. Strong attention to detail; self-starter, analytical, able to meet deadlines and a team player. Advanced organizational and management. Strong written and verbal communications skills. Ability to work in a fast-paced environment and juggle multiple tasks. Flexibility to accommodate overnight travel.

### About the Organization:

Lutheran Services in America is one of the nation's largest nonprofit organizations—connecting over 300 health and human services nonprofit service providers located throughout the country. Together the network lifts up the nation's most vulnerable people from children to seniors—making a difference in the lives of one in 50 Americans every year. Learn more at lutheranservices.org.

## To Apply:

Send a cover letter, resume and single, well-chosen writing sample to Rachel Kerestes, Vice President of External Affairs, at <a href="mailto:rkerestes@lutheranservices.org">rkerestes@lutheranservices.org</a>. No calls please.