

## Puget Sound Health Alliance Position Description

# Director of Health Information

The Puget Sound Health Alliance was created to forge a sustainable leadership coalition among patients, providers, purchasers, and health plans to design and implement an innovative, high quality, and affordable health care system in the Puget Sound region. One important component of this effort is to implement a shared, regional public/private health data system for reporting quality improvement and efficiency measures.

In the future, the Alliance will also promote interoperable clinical data exchange systems among all participants to support improvements in patient care. To facilitate the collection of clinical data useful for regional performance measurement and quality improvement, the Alliance will also encourage the development of patient registries and electronic health records among all interested providers.

To lead these efforts at the director level, the Alliance needs an exceptionally strong and experienced staff person to implement and manage our health information, health technology, and clinical data strategies. The position will work directly with industry experts and top executives among purchasers, providers, and health plans in the Puget Sound region. This position will:

- be accountable for the successful implementation and operations of our health information and technology strategies;
- represent the Alliance on health information and technology issues at the local, state, and national levels, likely including some travel;
- be a member of the Alliance senior leadership team;
- supervise other Alliance staff in health information-related positions;
- be principal staff lead to the Alliance Health Information & Technology Committee and the Data Stewardship Committee; and
- perform other duties and responsibilities as assigned.

**Salary:** dependent on experience.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree required; Master's degree strongly preferred.

**Qualifications:** The position will have the following qualifications, listed in descending order of importance:

- proven leadership experience managing work groups in the aggregation of health care quality and efficiency data for management reporting purposes
- experience with vendor management (preferably with data system vendors)
- familiarity with concepts and vocabulary of the emerging fields of health informatics and health information technology at the national and regional levels (experience in HIT strategy development preferred, if possible)
- excellent communication skills (written, verbal, and listening)
- experience in using administrative claims data for monitoring physician and hospital performance on quality and efficiency measures
- experience in creating effective statistical displays of health information that are actionable by a wide range of audiences (providers, consumers, health plans, and purchasers)
- demonstrated ability to produce and deliver clear and well-organized presentations on health information topics for audiences with widely varied backgrounds and levels of understanding about HIT topics
- well-organized and able to manage several complex, multi-part projects simultaneously
- experience in health data aggregation and analysis, including experience with mapping data elements from disparate sources
- a quick study for learning new, leading-edge topics
- strong quantitative aptitude
- experience with disease registries and electronic health records is desirable

If interested in the position, please e-mail a cover letter and detailed resume to:

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**No phone calls please**

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