

CHILDREN'S HEALTH FOUNDATION

Leadership Opportunity – President & CEO

The mission of Children's Health Foundation is to advance preventive and integrative health initiatives that benefit the mind, body, and spirit of children. The Foundation aims to create systemic change in schools and communities to ensure school safety, prevent childhood obesity, and reduce stress-related pathologies in children. Our primary goal is to increase healthy eating habits among children, prevent childhood obesity, and promote healthy school environments, programs, and practices with regard to nutrition.

The Children's Health Foundation was established in 2004 by founder Betsy Fifield. The Foundation believes that students learn to the best of their ability when they feel safe at school and have proper nutrition. In less than five years, Children's Health Foundation has taken important steps towards advancing our mission. We have implemented the framework for success by offering highly regarded, research-based programming and trainings to Colorado schools. By partnering with local, regional, and national schools, foundations, government organizations, and legislators, Children's Health Foundation has impacted the lives of more than 6,000 children. We continue to garner support from philanthropists and national sponsors alike, establishing Children's Health Foundation as a strong partner in the efforts to develop healthy habits and behaviors among children.

Opportunity Overview

The Board of the Children's Health Foundation now seeks a dynamic, strategic leader who can help the Foundation grow and increase its impact across Colorado. The President & CEO oversees and conducts all agency activities. The President & CEO, in consultation with the Board, is responsible for developing a clear strategy for the Children's Health Foundation's activities and executing those activities.

The President & CEO:

- Provides direction and leadership toward the achievement of the organization's philosophy, mission, strategy, and its annual goals and objectives.
- Implements the strategic goals and objectives of the organization.
- Develops and maintains outstanding relationships with partnering organizations locally, regionally, and nationally.
- With the Chair of the Board, enables the Board to fulfill its governance function.

The President & CEO manages a budget of just under \$1 million and a small staff. He/she works with school system and public health officials across the state. The Foundation is based in Aspen, and the primary focus of the Foundation's work is in the non-urban areas of the state.

Qualifications

Qualified candidates for this position will be strategic, results-oriented leaders with proven ability to translate strategies into measurable operating plans and objectives. He/she will have proven experience in helping organizations grow and develop new levels of effectiveness and impact.

Additionally, candidates will have many of the following skills or qualities

- Strong, effective leadership, management, and organizational skills; proven commitment to high performance and accountability.
- Demonstrated commitment to the Children's Health Foundation mission. Knowledge of school systems, school nutrition, or the public health issues related to childhood obesity preferred.
- Experience in working with a governing board and other volunteers to achieve goals.

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- Significant experience in nonprofit fundraising and building relationships with donors.
- Proven experience in developing long term relationships with partnering organizations.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills, interpersonal skills, excellent public speaker.
- Experience in working with government officials and knowledge of how to negotiate effectively with public officials in diverse areas.
- Strong understanding of budgets and issues that impact financial results.
- Strong commitment to serving various stakeholders.
- Proactive and collaborative approach; is multi-culturally sensitive and aware.
- Decisiveness and willingness to take risks appropriately.
- Ability to identify opportunities and pursue them, takes initiative.
- Excellent judgment and integrity.
- Highly adaptable and resilient approaches; focuses on possibilities and opportunities.
- Bachelor's degree required, preferably in business or management; advanced degree preferred.
- Willingness to travel around Colorado and nationally as needed.
- Willingness to locate in the Roaring Fork Valley; this includes Carbondale, Aspen, Rifle, Basalt, Glenwood Springs, or other adjacent communities.

How to Apply

To apply for this position, please send your resume, cover letter, and salary requirements to Carolyn McCormick of Peak HR Consulting, LLC at Carolyn.McCormick@peakhrconsulting.com

All applications are to be submitted via email. To learn more about us and this position, please visit www.childrenshealthfoundation.net.

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