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OBJECTIVE

To contribute to the Biden-Harris administration using expertise in health policy gained during nearly a decade of service on Capitol Hill, including Medicare and private insurance, advising Committee Leaders and other members of Congress, managing staff and fellows, testifying before Congress, developing and executing successful legislative strategies, and drafting legislative text for some of the most consequential pieces of recent health care legislation.

EXPERIENCE

Biden-Harris Transition Team

Volunteer Health Policy Liaison, Confirmations

Washington, DC
November 2020- January 2021

Senate Committee on Finance – Senator Ron Wyden

Senior Health Counsel

Washington, DC
March 2017 – present

- Manage, develop, and advance the Committee’s policy priorities by developing legislative strategies, drafting legislative text, advising the Ranking Member, working with the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) to meet budgetary constraints, and incorporating technical assistance from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), including:
 - defending and improving the Affordable Care Act (ACA) by expanding coverage, strengthening the individual insurance market, and lowering premiums and deductibles;
 - responding to the COVID-19 epidemic by ensuring adequate financing of testing, treatment, and vaccines;
 - lowering drug prices, including the Grassley-Wyden Prescription Drug Pricing Reduction Act; and
 - improving health care price transparency.
- Manage a team of junior staff and fellows, including delegating projects and meetings, as well as providing feedback and coordination among team members.
- Formulated and led procedural arguments before the Senate Parliamentarian during the attempts to repeal the ACA, including several successful arguments that contributed to the ultimate failure of the law’s repeal. This included working extensively with the CBO to determine the budgetary effect of proposed policies.
- Testified as an expert witness opposing the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act at the Senate Finance Committee mark-up.
- Represent the committee’s priorities to advance the Ranking Member’s policy agenda and to inform strategic planning, including by:
 - managing relationships with Senate staff to ensure their priorities are included in legislation moving through Congress;
 - liaising with coalitions of interest groups and leading experts to advance policy priorities; and
 - speaking at public events and on expert panels.
- Managing Committee hearings, including witness selection and vetting, writing background memorandums and Senators’ questions for witnesses, and staffing Senators and their staff at hearings.
- Assist the Democratic Caucus with creative and effective policy ideas, technical assistance, strategic planning, and messaging guidance in order to achieve Caucus goals.

House Committee on Energy and Commerce – Congressman Frank Pallone, Jr.

Senior Health Counsel

Washington, DC
January 2015 - March 2017

- Lead negotiator for major policies in landmark bipartisan legislation, including the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (permanently “doc fix”), the 21st Century Cures Act, and the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015. This included liaising with CMS, CBO, and House and Senate Members and staff regarding ongoing negotiations, drafting legislative text, and incorporating technical assistance.
- Managed Committee hearings, especially some of the Committee’s most contentious ACA oversight hearings, including witness selection and vetting, writing background memorandums and Members’ questions for witnesses, and staffing Members of Congress and their staff at hearings.

- Managed, developed, and advanced the Medicare, private insurance, and health information technology policy agendas for the Ranking Member and Committee Democrats.
- Managed a team of junior staff and fellows, including delegating projects and meetings, as well as providing feedback and coordination among members of the team.
- Advised Leadership and the Caucus regarding effective health policy strategies in Medicare, the ACA, and health information technology.
- Monitored regulations and ACA implementation to advocate for policies consistent with Congressional intent.
- Cultivated relationships with interest groups and policy experts regarding policy development and advocacy.

Office of Senator Cory A. Booker

Legislative Assistant

Washington, DC
March 2014 - January 2015

- Advised the Senator on all health policy matters, including developing and drafting legislative initiatives regarding health disparities and caregiving supports.
- Led Senator Booker’s efforts to successfully reauthorize a program that provided intensive residential care rehabilitation for veterans with moderate to severe traumatic brain injuries.
- Managed a team of junior staff and fellows, including delegating projects and meetings, reviewing constituent letters, and providing feedback and coordination among members of the team.
- Prepared the Senator for meetings, briefings, committee hearings, and Senate floor activity. Drafted memoranda, remarks, and messaging materials for the Senator’s health care-related appearances.
- Communicated the benefits of health reform and the Senator’s health policy priorities in a concise and approachable way to constituents and other stakeholders, and represented the Senator at public events.

Office of Congressman Sander Levin

Domestic Policy Counsel

Washington, DC
October 2012 - March 2014

- Advised the Congressman on health policy, budget, debt ceiling, Social Security, and human services issues.
- Staffed the Congressman at House Ways & Means Committee hearings and on specific legislation.
- Led the office’s ACA implementation efforts and worked with communications staff to craft messaging.
- Met with groups to represent the Congressman in DC and Michigan, including speaking engagements, and worked closely with Committee staff, HHS, CMS, national experts, and local organizations.

United States Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations (PSI)

Law Clerk

Washington, DC
September 2011 - August 2012

- Performed legal research, document review, and wrote memoranda for the investigation of HSBC bank.
- Prepared questions for and participated in investigation interviews and prepared interview documents.
- Drafted the section regarding bearer share corporations of the Subcommittee’s final report on HSBC bank.
- Assisted with research, advocacy, and coalition building for legislation supported by PSI.

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center

Juris Doctor, May 2012

Washington, DC

Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers University

Master of Public Policy, May 2009

New Brunswick, NJ

Rutgers University

Bachelor of Arts Degree, May 2006

New Brunswick, NJ

RECOGNITIONS

- Named a POLITICO “Emerging Healthcare Leader” for work impacting the direction of health policy.
- Honored by the *Alliance for Health Policy* with its inaugural Bipartisan Congressional Staff Leadership award.