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Top Skills

Program Management
Cross-functional Team Leadership
Healthcare

Certifications

Design Thinking Immersion
Certificate

Melea Atkins

Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Surgeon General
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Summary

I've spent the past 10+ years leading partnerships, programs, and teams to improve the way our government and our healthcare system serve people. My specific policy expertise is in population health & health tech, labor and workforce development, and low-income benefit programs. I am most excited about scalable solutions to societal inequities.

Experience

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
Deputy Chief Of Staff, Office of the Surgeon General
June 2021 - Present (2 years 3 months)

COVID-19 Response Advisors
Health, Economic, and COVID-19 Policy Consultant
May 2020 - May 2021 (1 year 1 month)
Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Clients include policymakers, nonprofits, foundations, and diagnostic manufacturers. Current focus is on efforts to expand access to COVID-19 testing in underserved populations, including public schools and childcare.

Founding Team Member, COVID-19 Response Advisors
www.covidresponseadvisors.org

Warren for President
National Operations Team
June 2019 - March 2020 (10 months)
Boston, MA

Slack
Program Manager, MBA Summer Associate
June 2018 - August 2018 (3 months)
San Francisco Bay Area

Led cross-functional projects in collaboration with Marketing, People, and Strategy teams.

MedStar Health

External Consultant, Medstar Telehealth Innovation Center
July 2017 - August 2017 (2 months)

Washington DC-Baltimore Area

Business model consultant for nascent telehealth program (the use of technology to deliver remote care) at largest hospital system in Washington DC-metropolitan area.

Avalere Health

Manager, Center for Payment and Delivery Innovation
June 2016 - June 2017 (1 year 1 month)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Healthcare management consultant focused on health policy changes and operationalizing value-based payment models. Clients included foundations, large provider systems, payers, life sciences companies, patient advocacy groups, and digital health companies.

United States Senate

3 years 3 months

Legislative Aide at Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren
January 2015 - May 2016 (1 year 5 months)

Washington, DC

Advised on health care and labor legislative portfolio. Specialized in healthcare technology, healthcare finance (including value-based care & payment reform), workforce development, labor organizing, and nutrition programs (e.g., SNAP, WIC, school lunch program, etc.).

Legislative Correspondent at Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren
March 2013 - December 2014 (1 year 10 months)

Washington DC

Democratic Political Campaigns

Community Organizer & Organizing Manager
2008 - 2012 (4 years)

Work included campaigns to elect President Barack Obama (2008), Congressman David Cicilline (2010), and Senator Elizabeth Warren (2012).

Education

Brown University

Bachelors of Arts with Honors, Magna Cum Laude., Public Policy and American Institutions

University of California, Berkeley, Haas School of Business

Master of Business Administration with Honors, Applied Innovation in Government and Health Care · (2017 - 2019)