

## **Quantitative Research Analyst/Statistical Programmer**

Acumen LLC and The SPHERE Institute, affiliated small business and not-for-profit policy firms established by scholars from Stanford University in 1996, conduct public policy research and statistical analysis on health and social service programs at the national, state, and local levels. We are growing rapidly and are seeking entry level and experienced Quantitative Research Analyst/Statistical Programmers to support our research in health policy.

The majority of our current projects are in the areas of Medicare and Medicaid policy, particularly focusing on Medicare Part D and the quality of care and safety. Some of our current clients include:

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
  - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
  - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
  - National Institutes of Health (NIH)
  - Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Social Security Administration (SSA)
- Congressional Budget Office
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- State of California Department of Health Services

As a result of our numerous federal and state government contracts, we have access to an extensive amount of healthcare data. A small sampling of our current work includes:

- Evaluating Pay for Performance in Medicare
- Using claims data to perform post-market surveillance of drugs and biologics
- Analyzing Medicare Part D claims data to assess variation in drug prices and utilization
- Understanding the implications of Medicare payment policies
- Creating research files that link with multiple survey data sources

### **Position Description:**

Acumen is a meritocracy where the level of responsibility is commensurate to one's demonstrated abilities and initiative; there is no bureaucracy or rigid job definitions to impede professional development. Junior and Senior Quantitative Research Analysts/Statistical Programmers typically:

- Conduct econometric and statistical analyses of data using statistical software such as SAS and STATA
- Develop research files from large confidential datasets, such as health care claims, enrollment data, and in-house surveys
- Interact with project officers and other government agency representatives and clients to access data and program information, determine analytical strategy and present findings
- Work with senior researchers on analysis and evaluation

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- BA/BS in economics, statistics, math, public policy or related field
- Statistical or computer programming knowledge
- Experience in quantitative analysis and proven analytical ability
- Enthusiasm for learning

This is a full time position, with salary based on experience and/or education. Benefits provided. To apply, please visit our website at [www.acumenllc.com/jobs](http://www.acumenllc.com/jobs).