Kevin McNellis

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley - Goldman School of Public Policy   Berkeley, CA
Master of Public Policy, GPA: 3.93   Awarded December 2014

Whitman College   Walla Walla, WA
Bachelor of Arts, Politics, GPA: 3.77   Awarded May 2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Co-Equal   Washington, DC
Analyst   *March 2022-present*

DUTIES:
- Provide qualitative and quantitative policy analysis to congressional offices on a wide range of topics, including: private health insurance enrollment and premiums, Medicare, Medicaid, federal and state transportation policies, the congressional budget and appropriations processes, congressional procedure, and other topics as needed.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
- Developed nationwide, district-level estimates of the effects of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) for multiple congressional offices.
- Developed nationwide, district-level estimates of the Inflation Reduction Act's effects on nongroup health insurance enrollment and premiums and Medicare's new prescription drug price negotiation program and inflation rebates.
- Provided multiple congressional offices with technical procedural assistance related to the congressional budget and appropriations processes.
- Provided additional policy analyses to multiple House and Senate offices on a variety of other topics as needed.

Congressional Research Service   Washington, DC
Analyst on Congress and the Legislative Process, Government & Finance Division   *August 2020-March 2022*

DUTIES:
- Provided Members of Congress and congressional staff with objective, nonpartisan, and timely analysis of the House and Senate's budget and appropriations procedures and practices.
- Designed and published original research focused on the congressional consideration of budget resolutions, reconciliation legislation, appropriations measures.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
- Provided comprehensive and confidential procedural assistance to over a hundred congressional clients on all aspects of the congressional budget, reconciliation, and appropriations processes.
- Designed new research methods and published innovative analyses of recent changes in the procedural practices of the House and Senate.

Congressional Budget Office   Washington, DC
Principal Analyst, Low-Income Health Programs Cost Estimates Unit   *January 2015-August 2020*

DUTIES:
- Provided congressional staff with objective and nonpartisan analysis related to the budgetary effects of proposed health care legislation throughout the legislative and congressional budget processes, as well as objective and nonpartisan technical assistance related to congressional budget and appropriations procedures.
- Designed, built, and maintained baseline projections and cost estimate models—including the agency's Health Insurance Simulation Model (HISIM2)—for legislative proposals that affected the nongroup and group health insurance markets or otherwise modified the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), the Public Health Service Act (PHSA), the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), and the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA).

- Worked collaboratively with analysts across the Congressional Budget Office and the staff of the Joint Committee on Taxation to produce baseline projections, analytic reports, and cost estimates of legislation.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
- Published a variety of cost estimates and other analytic reports that provided the Congress with timely, objective, and authoritative nonpartisan budget and policy analysis.
- Awarded the agency's Director's Award for Excellence in 2018 in recognition of my contributions to the development of HISIM2.
- Maintained effective working relationships with congressional staff, executive branch agency staff, academic researchers, and a variety of other external stakeholders.

Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President of the United States   Washington, DC
Intern, Health Programs Resource Management Office   *June 2014-August 2014*

DUTIES:
- Assisted staff in the agency's Health Programs Resource Management Office by reviewing Medicare regulations, preparing briefing materials for OMB senior staff, and modeling the budgetary effects of policy proposals.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
- Modeled proposed modifications to the Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP) and presented findings to senior Office of Management and Budget and White House staff that were key decisionmakers during the formulation of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' Final Rule 1461, which made significant changes to the program.

United States Senate Committee on Finance   Washington, DC
Intern, Health Care Policy   *June 2013-December 2013*

DUTIES:
- Participated in all aspects of the committee staff's work: analyzed legislation and federal regulations; wrote memos, policy briefs, and draft legislation; helped to organize hearings and markups; and participated in briefings with Senator Baucus.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
- Assisted the development and passage of the Sustainable Growth Rate Repeal and Medicare Beneficiary Access Improvement Act of 2013 (S. 1871), a comprehensive overhaul of Medicare's physician payment policies. Provisions I worked on during my internship were also included in the Pathway to SGR Reform Act (Division B, P.L. 113-67) and the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) of 2015 (P.L. 114-10).

National Institute on Money in State Politics   Helena, Montana
Researcher   *August 2010-June 2012*

DUTIES:
- Worked independently and as part of a team to publish original nonpartisan research analyzing the nexus between campaign spending and a variety of state-level policy topics, including: natural gas drilling, prison privatization, the subprime mortgage industry, campaign finance reform, and the first comprehensive analysis of how the Supreme Court's *Citizens United* decision affected state-level campaign finance disclosure laws and campaign spending.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
- My research was published in multiple national and statewide publications, including: *The Washington Post, Rolling Stone*, *Time Magazine, the Columbia Journalism Review, Bloomberg, the Center for Public Integrity, MSNBC, the Huffington Post*, *Des Moines Register, Orlando Sentinel*, and *Star Tribune*.
- My *Citizens United* research was cited in an amicus brief to the Supreme Court of the United States (*American Tradition Partnership v. Bullock*).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- "Changes in the House of Representatives' Initial Consideration of Regular Appropriations Measures, 113th-116th Congresses," July 2021, https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R46841.
- "Appropriations Report Language: Overview of Components and Development," September 2021, https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R44124.
- "Federal Subsidies for Health Insurance Coverage for People Under Age 65: 2019 to 2029," May 2019, https://www.cbo.gov/publication/55085.
- "How the Congressional Budget Office and Joint Committee on Taxation Analyzed the Coverage Effects of New Rules for Association Health Plans and Short-Term Plans," January 2019, https://www.cbo.gov/publication/54915.

COMPUTER SKILLS

Proficient in the following software programs: SAS, R, Python, and Microsoft Office