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EMPLOYMENT

TennCare (Tennessee State Government) - Nashville, TN

Business Security Specialist, Aug. 2020 - Current

- Administer system and database access for over 1500 stakeholders, both internal and external to TennCare
- Coordinate efforts between IT consultants and health specialists for projects related to the creation of role-based access control, the implementation of new business functions, and departures from legacy systems
- Complete 5 monthly audits regarding system mappings and user activity to ensure compliance with federal regulations
- Resolve incidents related to authorization errors, issues with active directory, and task logic

Health Care Informatics Intern, May 2023 - Aug. 2023

- Shadowed the Health Care Informatics (HCI) team at TennCare and assisted the HCI deputy director with special projects
- Executed a project that analyzed data on dual-eligible members using the Census Bureau's 5-year ACS estimates for health insurance coverage
- Queried data from multiple databases to analyze demographic trends related to the unwinding of the Medicaid continuous enrollment provision
- Interpreted and presented results from data analyses to leadership to create more efficient reports and policy

Business Operations Assistant, Oct. 2019 - Aug. 2020

- Assisted the Business Operations Group administrator with record disposition, acquisition management, and employee efficiency
- Oversaw the archiving and transportation of over 300 boxes of legal documents for the Member Services division of TennCare
- Made improvements to enhance inventory management and delivery for the supply operations of three state-owned buildings
- Created reports on employee time management and task completion

Fox Lab of Visual Perception (Vanderbilt University) - Nashville, TN

Senior Research Assistant, May 2018 - Jan. 2019

- Supplemented the work of the primary investigator and managed the responsibilities of the other research assistants
- Developed 8 new variables in MATLAB, led the lab's biweekly meetings, and maintained the lab's inventory
- Met regularly with primary investigator to discuss possible translational uses of research for visual disorders and technological development

Research Assistant, Feb. 2017 - May 2018

- Collected data from subjects, generated graphical representations, and performed statistical analysis on data sets
- Drafted the scientific lab manual that detailed the steps and modifications of the various experiments
- Transferred over 200 old project records from paper to electronic form and stored them in a database

EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University - School of Medicine · Aug. 2022 - Current

Master of Public Health - Concentration in Health Policy

Expected Date of Graduation: May 2024

Vanderbilt University - College of Arts & Science · Aug. 2015 - May 2019

Bachelor of Arts in Neuroscience

Minor I: Medicine, Health, and Society – Concentration in Health Policies and Economies

Minor II: Classics

SKILLS

- Microsoft Office Apps (advanced)
- ServiceNow (advanced)
- TEDS (advanced)
- Tableau (intermediate)
- Able to analyze data and processes with extensive critical thinking
- Excellent oral and written communication skills that can translate findings to various audiences
- SQL Developer (intermediate)
- STATA (intermediate)
- Formstack (intermediate)
- JIRA (beginner)
- Quick learner and can adapt to new situations and systems efficiently
- Effective interpersonal and leadership skills to foster collaboration