



Job Title: Senior SAS Programmer

Department: Data Analytics

General Summary

Avalere Health is a leading advisory firm focused on the intersection of business strategy and health policy. Based in Washington DC, Avalere works with a diverse range of clients spanning Fortune 500 companies, major medical foundations, government agencies, advocacy and patient groups, and other organizations to determine how public policy affects their business or policy strategies. Avalere is a recognized thought leader in the health care industry, with published articles in nationally respected and influential journals.

Avalere is seeking a senior SAS programmer / analyst experienced in working with large government or commercial datasets to conduct quantitative analyses of data on the Medicare, Medicaid, and/or commercial insurance markets.

Principal Duties & Responsibilities

The successful candidate will enhance the firm's capability to conduct quantitative analyses and build statistical models.

- Working with Medicare and commercial plan data to inform business and policy strategy recommendations for clients
- Conceptualizing the scope of quantitative / programming projects for clients
- Solving complex programming problems in a timely and appropriate manner with minimal management oversight
- Working with client managers and less experienced staff as part of a cross-functional team to deliver projects to clients
- Taking initiative to conceptualize and execute enhancements to Avalere's quantitative and database resources
- Training and mentoring associate consultants regarding programming and quantitative analyses

Qualifications

Required

- Bachelor's degree or higher in computer science, business, economics, mathematics, statistics, public policy, public health, or other related fields.
- 5+ years of SAS programming experience
- Heavy data manipulation experience using Data Step programming
- Ability to create a wide variety of output, reports, and delivery files
- Experience with SAS Macros
- Experience with SAS/STAT
- Experience using ODS and other methods to deliver output in Excel
- Experience with data cleaning, editing, and extensive quality/accuracy measures
- Experience analyzing Medicare claims data, prescription drug claims data, data from large government surveys (e.g. MCBS), and/or other large (>1 million records) datasets

- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Ability to work closely with all levels of staff
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Desired

- 10+ years of SAS programming experience
- Experience programming and interpreting mid- to advanced-level statistical analyses
- Experience building statistical models
- Experience working with advanced-level statisticians
- Experience with DDE
- Experience with STATA or other statistical packages

Compensation

Avalere's culture is one of close collaboration, candid and constructive feedback, and assignment of responsibilities on the basis of ability and availability, without undue emphasis on rank. We prize curiosity, resilience, a passion for excellence, and a willingness to embrace new challenges. The successful candidate will work closely with all levels of the organization, across all of our content areas. Avalere offers competitive compensation and benefits commensurate with experience. Located on DC's famed and vibrant Dupont Circle, Avalere is centrally situated and readily accessible from all over the DC metro area. For more information, visit www.avalerehealth.net.

To Apply

Qualified applicants should submit application materials including:

- Resume
- Code sample demonstrating data manipulation
- Salary requirements

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