

LEIGH C. PURVIS

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle, WA
Certificate in Gerontology

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
Master of Public Administration (Health Administration/Policy concentration)

Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, VA
Bachelor of Science, Psychology

WORK EXPERIENCE

AARP Public Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.
Director, Health Services Research, June 2014-present

- Lead team of policy analysts and researchers who work on health care issues that are relevant to the 50+ population
- Thought leader for AARP policy around prescription drug-related issues
- Serve as source of expertise on prescription drug-related issues for internal and external colleagues
- Analyze and provide feedback on proposed legislation and policies at the state and federal level
- Devise and perform timely research and complex quantitative analyses to inform and support policy and advocacy efforts
- Author research reports, issue briefs, fact sheets, congressional testimony, blogs, and internal memos
- Collaborate with diverse internal and external stakeholders

AARP Public Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.
Senior Strategic Policy Advisor, April 2010-June 2014

- Develop and help guide AARP's policy around prescription drug-related issues
- Serve as source of expertise on a wide variety of prescription drug-related issues for internal and external colleagues
- Analyze and provide feedback on proposed legislation and policies at the state and federal level
- Devise and perform timely research and complex quantitative analyses to inform and support policy and advocacy efforts
- Initiate and manage multiple contracts for complex quantitative research performed by outside contractors
- Author research reports, issue briefs, fact sheets, congressional testimony, blogs, and internal memos

AARP Public Policy Institute, Washington, D.C.
Policy Research Senior Analyst, January 2005-April 2010

- Assist coworkers in the development of research reports, issue briefs, fact sheets, and internal memos on a variety of health-related topics
- Maintain working knowledge of multiple public and private data sources for use in policy and advocacy efforts
- Perform comprehensive research and quantitative analyses on a variety of health-related topics to support policy and advocacy efforts

American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.
Technical Information Specialist, July 2000-December 2004

- Create, edit, and perform quality control on data for the PscINFO database

- Provide extensive one-on-one training for new colleagues
- Participate in numerous specialized tasks based on exceptional job performance

INTERNSHIPS

Administration on Aging, Washington, D.C.

Intern, Fall 2003

- Author numerous web pages and background papers that dealt with health promotion and disease prevention in aging populations
- Develop comprehensive listing of health promotion and disease prevention-related state services as part of a grant-based evaluation of the Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Services Program of the Older Americans Act
- Author companion document for Healthy People 2010 that was utilized by the AoA's Aging Network

Alliance for Aging Research, Washington, D.C.

Intern, Spring-Summer 2003

- Monitor aging/health care-related legislation
- Aid in the development of literature that accompanied Congressional testimony
- Author numerous aging/health care-related position and background papers

American Psychological Association, Public Policy Office, Washington, D.C.

Intern, Spring 2000

- Assist in researching and writing briefs regarding upcoming mental health-related legislation
- Perform independent research and briefed directorate members regarding current mental health legislation