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Dear NCURA Region II Members:

It is with great enthusiasm that I am running for re-election to serve as the NCURA Region II Member of the National Board of Directors.


I have truly enjoyed serving as a Board Member and would be grateful for the opportunity to continue contributing to the meaningful and productive work that they do. During my time on the Board, I have worked on the Remote Work Survey Task Force, which has issued two surveys to NCURA members this past year and is about to issue the third this month. These surveys allow NCURA to gauge the dynamic environment of the remote work options for research administrators over time and present that data to members to note shifting trends and attitudes. The initial remote work survey results were even highlighted in the Chronicle of Higher Education and showcased NCURA as a reputable leader in this high interest topic.

I have also recently been asked to serve on the next iteration of the Board's Salary Survey Task Force and have begun the planning of an updated salary survey to NCURA members. Empowering NCURA members with compensation data and information specifically relevant to their own positions is needed more than ever as the profession has become more established and valued and the job market more volatile.

As a research administrator who has worked in a variety of different institutions and positions, I understand the perspectives of central administration, department administration, and those on the study teams themselves. My background and experience have helped me to become an effective communicator and presenter to diverse audiences at the institutional, regional, and national levels.

It is privilege to represent Region II. If re-elected, I will continue to advocate for Region II Research Administrators, build stronger relationships within the regional and national networks and continue to promote an inclusive environment where all feel welcomed, heard, and valued.

Thank you,

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EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION

University of Michigan – Ann Arbor, Michigan Master of Public Health (MPH), Epidemiology Certificate in Global Health	09/2007 – 04/2009
University of Pittsburgh – Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Bachelor of Science (BS), Biological Sciences, <i>Cum Laude</i> Bachelor of Arts (BA), Anthropology, <i>Cum Laude</i>	08/2003 – 04/2007
Certified Research Administrator (CRA)	12/2014 – present

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Pittsburgh • Pittsburgh, PA Director, Office of Sponsored Programs Senior Associate Director, Office of Sponsored Programs	11/2021– present 07/2016 – 10/2021
Nova Southeastern University • Fort Lauderdale, FL Associate Director, Office of Sponsored Programs	07/2013 – 07/2016
Weill Medical College of Cornell University • New York, NY Grants Administrator, Department of Surgery	02/2012 – 06/2013
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai • New York, NY Research Manager, Department of Surgery	06/2010 – 02/2012
University of Michigan Cancer Center • Ann Arbor, MI Project Coordinator Research Assistant	02/2009 – 05/2010 09/2007 – 01/2009
Madras Diabetes Research Foundation • Chennai, India Research Intern	05/2008 – 08/2008
VA Center for Health Equity Research and Promotion • Pittsburgh, PA Data Manager Research Assistant	07/2006 – 08/2007 07/2005 – 06/2006

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Recipient of 2015 Region III National Meeting Travel Award▪ Elected to Board of Directors in 2021▪ Board of Directors 2021-22 Remote Work Survey Task Force Member▪ Board of Directors 2021-22 Salary Survey Task Force Member	02/2012 – Present
Society of Research Administrators International (SRAI) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Recipient of 2021 Future of the Field Award	07/2013 – Present

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Women's Leadership Council of United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania	01/2020 – Present
Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh	08/2017 – Present