NARAL Pro-Choice America Seeks
Deputy Government Relations Director

Organization Overview

For fifty years, NARAL Pro-Choice America has led the fight for reproductive freedom for everyone, including the right to access abortion. Powered by more than 2.5 million members from all 50 states and a network of state affiliates, NARAL Pro-Choice America represents the more than seven in 10 Americans who believe every person should have the freedom to make the best decision for themselves about if, when and how to raise a family. This means we’re on the front lines in the fight to expand access to abortion, make contraception more affordable, prohibit discrimination against pregnant women, and ensure all parents have access to paid leave. In recognition of our work defending the constitutional right to abortion, Fortune Magazine rated NARAL as “one of the top 10 advocacy groups in America.”

At NARAL, we don’t operate or litigate; we organize and mobilize. Working together, we push our friends to be bolder, lift up the champions fighting with us on the front line for true reproductive freedom, and we shine a spotlight of accountability on bad actors that work to impose their ideological agenda on others

Position Overview

The Deputy Government Relations Director will assist the GR Director in leading a team that develops and implements new strategies to use governmental levers to change the national debate on reproductive rights; uses policy advocacy to build power; works toward better policy outcomes in Washington and the states; and defends against anti-choice legislation and regulation.

The Deputy Director will develop and advance NARAL’s federal legislative and public policy agenda with various constituencies, including Capitol Hill, the executive branch, and national allies. The Deputy Director will work with the GR Director to integrate the departments work with the campaigns, political and communications teams.

The Deputy will assist the GR Director with oversight of department operations and management, including budgeting and workload allocation.

Location: Washington, DC
Reports to: Government Relations Director
This Position is: Full-time, Exempt, Non-Union
Salary Range: $90,533 - $103,467

Responsibilities

- Work with GR Director to develop and implement strategies that advance meaningful policy change at the federal and state levels.
- Develop and leverage strong strategic relationships at the federal level; represent NARAL with policymakers and their staff, as well as the staff and leadership of government agencies and departments.
- Within issue area portfolio, lead legislative strategy on all relevant activity on Capitol Hill, in the executive branch, and in the Courts, and identify opportunities and make recommendations for NARAL’s
engagement.
• Write/review key advocacy materials: fact sheets, talking points, letters to policymakers, staff memos, model legislation, testimony, and related products.
• Represent NARAL at legislative and policy tables and coalitions.
• Work cross-departmentally to inform advocacy campaigns that lead to policy outcomes that improve the lives of women across the full range of their reproductive lives.
• Work with GR Director, Political and Campaigns Departments to support effective legislative and electoral campaigns.
• Represent NARAL in high level speaking engagements, and prepare others to do so as well.
• Manage, supervise, develop and evaluate staff.
• With the GR Director, help manage the department, including strategic planning, budget development, and workload allocation. Oversee department operations in the GR Director’s absence.
• Occasional travel to work with partner organizations, allies and coalitions.

Qualifications

• Four-year college degree plus 7-10 years’ work experience required. Relevant advanced degree preferred.
• Substantial work experience on Capitol Hill, in the executive branch, and/or directly lobbying at the federal level.
• Strong understanding of reproductive freedom movement and federal or state government legislative and policy processes.
• Significant advocacy campaign and/or project management experience.
• Experience supervising staff preferred.
• Deep attention to detail and excellent written and verbal communication skills.
• Knowledge of diverse groups, working with a multicultural workforce and sensitivity to and appreciation of cultural differences is required.
• Commitment to NARAL’s mission and goals.

Application Process

NARAL Pro-Choice America does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, socioeconomic status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, age, disability, marital status, veteran status, or political affiliation. Candidates from diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

To apply for this position submit a cover letter and resume to govrelationsjobs@prochoiceamerica.org with the subject line Deputy Director of Government Relations. The cover letter should be concise and compelling, and outline the specific ways in which you would be a good fit for this position. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis.