



## CHICAGO ASTHMA CONSORTIUM

Enhancing Lives Through Advocacy, Education and Collaboration

Chicago Asthma Consortium

Position: Board Director (Volunteer)

### Organizational Background

The Chicago Asthma Consortium was founded in 1996 with the mission to improve the quality of life for individuals with asthma through advocacy, education and collaboration.

Chicago Asthma Consortium accomplishes its goals in partnership with organizations who care about improving asthma health outcomes. Our unique role is one that convenes partners, facilitates collaboration and mobilizes assets throughout the community to improve the lives of individuals with asthma.

### Board Director – Roles and Responsibilities

Board Directors are instrumental in offering strategic guidance to advance the mission of Chicago Asthma Consortium. Board Directors are actively engaged to establish, guide and monitor strategic priorities established annually by the Board of Directors. New board members may anticipate participating in interactive and strategic discussions related to sustainability and growth.

The expectations of Board Directors are to:

- Commit to a two-year term;
- Attend and actively participate in bi-monthly board meetings;
- Review materials sent in advance of each meeting so that all members are prepared to make meaningful contributions to discussions and decisions;
- Serve as an advocate and ambassador for the consortium;
- Contribute \$500 annually, via fundraising or other means, to support the financial sustainability of the organization;
- Join at least one standing or ad hoc committee or workgroup;
- Nominate one new board member prior to the conclusion of your two-year term if the board membership is not renewed; and
- Leverage professional network to promote the organization and related organizational engagement opportunities.

### Desired Areas of Expertise and Attributes

We seek individuals who are committed to our mission, and who will consistently bring professionalism, innovation and thought leadership to Chicago Asthma Consortium. In addition,



we desire individuals with diverse backgrounds to include core competencies in the following areas: business development, fundraising, and marketing and communications.

### **Our Commitment to YOU**

The Chicago Asthma Consortium is committed to ensuring that Board Directors are fulfilled and satisfied in their roles. As such, Board Directors may expect the following of Chicago Asthma Consortium:

- A recruiting process that demonstrates we care about the ways in which Board Directors would like to utilize their time and talents;
- An organization that values diversity, inclusion, operational efficiency and innovation; and ensures all voices are heard;
- Orientation to understand the history, structure and strategic priorities of the organization;
- Mentoring for new Board Directors;
- Flexibility to attend meetings in person or by conference call;
- Access to an up-to-date web-based information portal that contains all organizational documents;
- Thoughtfully planned and productive meetings; and
- Recognition for the contributions of our Board Directors.

### **Application Process**

1. Submit an online application as an expression of interest in a Board Director role (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CACBoardApplication>) by **January 30, 2018**;
2. Participate in an exploratory discussion to discuss membership, learn more about the opportunity and confirm application;
3. Meet with 1 - 2 existing Board Directors to discuss follow-up questions and areas of interest;
4. Attend a Board Meeting to meet the Board, and learn more about the Board structure and operations; and
5. Receive notification of the Board's nomination vote.

### **Contact**

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