

About Us

Shoreline Health Solutions, LLC is a small community health consulting firm founded in 2000, that works exclusively with community health centers, and other non-profit agencies working to improve access to health care for under-served populations. With a deep respect for the community health center model of care, we have worked with both urban and rural health centers throughout the country on multiple aspects of health center operations, including FQHC planning and start-up, community needs assessments, FQHC readiness assessments, compliance assessments, policy and procedure manuals, quality improvement, program evaluation, and grant writing.

Since our inception in 2000, SHS has secured over \$210 million in grant funding for our community health center clients.

Qualifications

Having worked with community health centers nationwide, Shoreline Health Solutions brings a high level of understanding and expertise in the priorities and operational systems inherent in the CHC model of care. We bring this expertise to every project and every health center we work with, and are committed to ensuring the needs of our health center clients are met. Brief staff biographies are included below:

Trudy Brown Ripin, MPH, Founder and President

Trudy is a graduate of Stanford University and the Harvard School of Public Health. She has been an independent community health center consultant since 2000, and is the owner of Shoreline Health Solutions.

Prior to her consulting work, Trudy spent three years in leadership at a community health center. In this role, she coordinated all grant activities, prepared grant applications, facilitated the Joint Commission accreditation process, coordinated HIV and wellness programs, managed the quality improvement program, and served as team leader for the HRSA Diabetes Collaborative program. Trudy also previously worked for a Medicaid Managed Care organization in Massachusetts, providing services to their membership of over 70 community health centers. In this role, she was the coordinator for their domestic violence screening and outreach program, as well as their HIV counseling and testing programs.

As a consultant, she has provided direct technical assistance to community health centers, health center controlled networks, and primary care associations throughout the country. This includes grant writing; grant application reviews; FQHC compliance and preparation assistance; quality improvement program design/implementation, including peer review, incident management, and sentinel event response; Joint Commission accreditation preparation; development of policy and procedure manuals; site visit preparation support; FTCA application assistance; and staff/Board training activities.

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Molly K. Gwisc, MPH, Senior Associate

Molly has a master's in public health from the University of Connecticut, where she was awarded the Graduate Program Committee Fellowship to conduct a web-based public health research study.

Prior to her community health center work, Molly worked for a statewide community health agency and at the Connecticut Children's Medical Center, where she obtained large grant funding awards from the Allstate Foundation and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Molly has been working with community health centers through SHS since 2002. Throughout her long-standing tenure with SHS, Molly has worked with health centers throughout the country to improve access to health care for under-served populations. She has over 20 years of grant writing experience. Molly has extensive knowledge of FQHC requirements and strategies to maintain FQHC compliance. She also has indepth expertise with conducting data collection and analysis and is skilled in the use of the HRSA Health Center Program GeoCare Navigator (replaced the UDS Mapper system). Using data from a broad array of Federal, State, and local sources, Molly has particular expertise at developing comprehensive community needs assessments and using these needs assessments to identify gaps in services.

❖ Julie McClure, Associate

Julie joined SHS in January 2025. Prior to joining SHS, Julie was a grant writer in the non-profit, education, and healthcare space for over 15 years. Her writing has resulted in over \$29.6 million in awards to various educational, health, and human service needs organizations. She has in-depth experience with the federal grants process, including HRSA Health Center Program Service Area Competitions. She has also had success procuring funding at the state, local and private foundation levels. She has experience in the use of the HRSA HCP GeoCare Navigator.

Julie served as the Director of Marketing and Communication for an FQHC in Nebraska that served 10,700 patients annually. During her six-year tenure at this FQHC, Julie leveraged her writing skills to provide increased education and communication to the communities and patients served by the FQHC. In addition to grant writing, she helped launch two new agency websites, developed a vigorous social media presence, initiated numerous successful marketing campaigns for the agency's service lines, and shared information through hundreds of press releases and updates.

Prior to her work as a grant writer, Julie was an elected member of her local school district's Board of Education for 13 years. She is a graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

How to Reach Us

For more information or to schedule a no-charge initial consultation, please contact Trudy at tbripin@shorelinehealthsolutions.com or (860) 395-5630.

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