# Laura J. Rahn

#### **TECHNOLOGIES & CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Visio, Outlook
- Alfresco
- Jira
- Compliance 360
- Content development
- Technical and creative writing

- Editing and feedback
- Internal and external communications
- Web copy
- Proofreading
- Stakeholder management
- Project ownership

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### PrimeWest Health, Alexandria, MN

2008-present

## Editor, 2012-present

Develop and write content for multiple audiences and platforms; edit content produced by 30 individuals. Collaborate with stakeholders and design, web, and print staff to ensure consistent projection of organization's image through style, tone, and branding.

- Write quarterly health education magazine distributed to 30,000 households; manage production from planning through final proof
- Edit quarterly newsletter for county staff and quarterly e-newsletter available to 12,000 health care providers and support staff
- Collaborate with stakeholders at all levels to determine messaging and scope; provide guidance for best practices; identify and implement creative solutions as well as feedback as required
- Alter communication style from a 7<sup>th</sup>-grade reading level to one appropriate for regulatory reporting and data-driven information
- Produce all written content for annual network provider conference, creating a cohesive event by aligning web, print, sign, and presentation text
- Conduct annual employee training on plagiarism, copyright, and editorial resources

## Associate Editor, 2009-2012

- Secured permissions for incorporation of outside content and developed electronic tracking system for requests and renewals
- Led text review for redesign of organization's website
- Developed process for reviewing provider network listings that decreased editorial time by 50%
- Edited over 300 policies and procedures annually; reviewed for errors in process and inconsistencies

## Editorial Assistant, 2008-2009

- Proofread text and design elements for all materials
- Compared source text against produced documents for all member materials

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#### ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## Veterans United, Remote

2008-2009

## Website Copy Editor

Edited web content for several lending sites as part of the company's rebranding

- Reworked content to achieve consistency among pages created by 10 individuals
- Ensured layperson readability and usability

## Benfield (now Aon), Bloomington, MN

2006-2008

## **Reinsurance Contract Writing Analyst**

Drafted and analyzed over 40 multi-million dollar contracts and corresponding client communications for 12 accounts

- Primary contract writer and resource person for RFP responses; Benfield named broker or co-broker on all
- Learned and then translated abstract concepts into legal documents in deadline-driven environment
- Primary contact and resource for 25 brokers
- Managed contracts from inception to execution; provided guidance for improving contract terms

#### **EDUCATION**

### BA in Communications; BA in English • 2006

University of Minnesota • High distinction • Phi Beta Kappa

## Poynter ACES Certificate in Editing • 2015

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