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Emily Wheeler is an Associate Director with The Conafay Group, providing support for the firm's policy team. Bridging experience on Capitol Hill with skills developed in public health and analytics, Ms. Wheeler works to ensure efficient, thorough and effective client servicing.

Throughout her undergraduate career, Ms. Wheeler gained experience in health care policy and provision both domestically and internationally. She conducted fieldwork in Senegal, Rwanda and the Philippines focused on health care in several capacities: maternal and child health, nutrition, emergency relief for refugee populations, and monitoring and evaluation for a variety of programs. Additionally, she developed skills in project management and overall programmatic analysis through collaboration with local and international health and development experts. Working with non-profit organizations abroad in the health sector strengthened her ability to think critically regarding scope and impact of health care access. Ms. Wheeler also gained knowledge of the federal landscape through a long-term internship with a Congressman who represents her home district in Oregon. She worked closely with Hill staffers in a host of different areas, developing a keen interest in issues related to health and medicine. Ms. Wheeler's strengths in research, data and analysis were identified by university faculty in her undergraduate years, during which she was invited to present an original analysis on overall performance of health care systems to upper-level political science students.

Ms. Wheeler was a Presidential Academic Scholar at the George Washington University, and earned a bachelor's degree in International Affairs with dual concentrations in Global Public Health and International Development, graduating *magna cum laude*. She also gained Spanish fluency through coursework in Spain.

