ClearWay Minnesota™ is an independent nonprofit organization established to eliminate the harm that tobacco causes the people of Minnesota. Its mission is to enhance life for all Minnesotans by reducing tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke through research, action, and collaboration. Funded with three percent of the state’s tobacco settlement, ClearWay Minnesota serves the state through its grantmaking program, individual stop-smoking services, and statewide outreach activities.

The Director of Cessation Programs leads and administers all aspects of ClearWay Minnesota's smoking cessation initiatives. Primary responsibilities include active engagement of multi-sector partners and stakeholders in policy and program initiatives that advance and expand cessation benefits coverage for Minnesotans; oversight and evaluation of tobacco cessation (QUITPLAN) services; and management of all cessation-related administrative functions. The Director of Cessation Programs reports to a Vice President and is a member of the management team, led by the Chief Executive Officer, which develops, implements, and communicates ClearWay Minnesota’s vision and strategic plan.

Candidates should have a Master’s degree in public health, social science, public policy, public administration, or a relevant field; at least 10 years of progressively responsible experience including a track record of advancing public policy, preferably within the public health field; familiarity with clinical services and a broad range of tobacco issues; knowledge of health-related program evaluation; grants/contracts administration; staff supervision; and project leadership. Strong interpersonal skills, a flexible and results-driven work style, and the ability to build relationships and coalitions are required.

Applicants should submit a letter of introduction and resume by January 22, 2010, to Pamela Johnson, Search Consultant, at pjohnsonsearch@gmail.com. For more information about ClearWay Minnesota, see www.clearwaymn.org.