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## **Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation Appoints Senior Director of Grantmaking**

**BOSTON (June 25, 2019)** – [The Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation](#) today announced that Jacquie Anderson has been appointed Senior Director of Grantmaking, a leadership role overseeing the Foundation’s approximately \$3.5 million in annual grant investments.

Anderson previously served as chief operating officer at Centering Healthcare Institute, a national nonprofit organization with a mission to improve maternal and family health by transforming the way care is delivered.

“Jacquie has impressive skills in executive management, nonprofit operations, grantmaking and strategic planning, as well as a passion for health advocacy campaigns,” said Audrey Shelto, president of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation. “She will be focused on collaborating with the Foundation’s partners, stakeholders and the community to advance our goals of improving health access, quality and equity.”

Anderson will lead the Foundation’s grantmaking team, which identifies investment opportunities and manages grants that support programs to expand access to health care coverage, behavioral health services and services related to the social determinants of health in Massachusetts. Since 2001, the Foundation has given grants totaling more than \$66 million to support hundreds of community-based programs and projects.

Prior to joining Centering Healthcare Institute, Anderson served as the chief operating officer at Community Catalyst, a national nonprofit health advocacy organization. A key part of her role was overseeing Community Catalyst Health Justice Fund, a grantmaking initiative focused on mobilizing the consumer health advocacy movement to defend against threats to the health care safety net, and maintain and improve health care access, coverage, quality and equity.

Anderson serves on the board of Rosie’s Place and the Massachusetts Nonprofit Network. She earned a bachelor’s degree in social work from the University of Windsor in Ontario, Canada, and holds a master’s degree in social work from the University of Toronto. She has participated



in advanced leadership training through The Partnership, LeadBoston and the Foundation's Massachusetts Institute for Community Health Leadership.

**About the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation**

The mission of the [Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation](#) is to expand access to health care for low-income and vulnerable individuals and families in the Commonwealth. The Foundation was founded in 2001 with an initial endowment from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. It operates separately from the company and is governed by its own Board of Directors.

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