CHAD HUTSON

PROFESSIONAL STRENGTHS

- Strategic communication planning and management
- > Legislative affairs
- Social media strategy and execution
- > Brand management
- > Public Relations
- Media Relations
- > Website content development
- > Media Relations Corporate Training
- > Crisis communications management
- > Project management
- > Design and desktop publishing
- Art Direction
- > Photography
- > Witty sense of humor
- > Team Leader

EDUCATION

Eastern Washington University Cheney, WA B.A. in Journalism

National Delegate City/County Communication and Marketing Association

American Hospital Association

Public relations and marketing classes

Eastern Washington University

Advanced Project Management certificate

West Virginia University

Social Media Marketing certificate

University of Washington

Screenwriting certificate

AWARDS, HONORS & ACTIVITIES

- SA Excellence in Communication Awards: Communicator of the Year (2020)
- GSA Excellence in Communication Awards
 First Place & Second Place still photography
- Health and Human Services Secretary's Award for Best Domestic Photo/Public Health in Action (2012, 2013)
- Arthur L. Dussault Award for Public Relations Excellence
- Pacific Northwest Newspaper Association C.B. Blethen Award for Distinguished Deadline Reporting and Outstanding Enterprise Reporting
- Numerous writing, editing and photography awards from Society of Professional Journalists

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency | **Regional External Affairs Officer** | 2020–Present Management and oversight of public affairs, congressional affairs, media relations, and stakeholder engagements in four-state region. Work includes development of detailed cybersecurity and protective security communications planning and information dissemination to audiences with a wide-ranging understanding of these subjects.

General Services Admin. | NW/Arctic Region Public Affairs Manager | 2016–2020

Management of public affairs, media relations, government relations, and internal communication strategies for four-state region.

VA Puget Sound Health Care System | **Public Affairs Officer** | 2013–2016

Management of a 6-member communication team in Seattle; Oversight and management of media and public relations, web and social media strategies; congressional and tribal relations.

NIOSH, OMSHR | Health Communications Team Lead | 2009–2013

Management of an 11-member communication team in Spokane and Pittsburgh; Oversight of \$3 million+ budget; Developed and managed strategic communication plan; Directed all internal and external communication initiatives including web, social media, exhibits, collateral materials, video production; brand identity, and tone for all company communications; Designed effective methods to disseminate high-level research to key audiences with varying degrees of technical comprehension.

Vivo Media, LLC | President | 2008–2009

Oversight and management of all aspects of magazine publishing, new media, and webdevelopment company.

North Idaho Advanced Care Hospital | Director of Marketing & Bus. Dev. | 2005–2007

Development and oversight of all marketing, sales, media relations, community relations, branding and business development functions for long-term acute care hospital system. Served as member of hospital executive team, making decisions regarding human resources, budget, and daily operations. Oversight of a 12-member team, including case management, discharge planning, and communications.

Inland Northwest Health Services | Communications Officer | 1999–2004

Directed all public/media relations and marketing efforts for multi-line health care company, including acting as company spokesperson, and brand development for seven distinct health care lines; Developed award-winning and nationally recognized marketing efforts including brochures, annual reports, trade shows, videos and websites.

Spokane County | Public Information Specialist | 1995–1999

Provided Spokane County Commissioners and Public Works with strategic communication counsel on media relations, public relations and public involvement initiatives; Developed nationally recognized government involvement programs; Facilitated community meetings for board of commissioners; Planned and publicized events.

Journalist | Various Publications | 1986–1995

Worked as a journalist for central and western Washington daily newspapers. Covered government, education, transportation and served as a lead feature writer. Served as Managing Editor for Spokane Valley News from 1993–1995.

REFERENCES

Available upon request