



Liz Schenkel | Navigator Project Manager

Liz Schenkel joined CHAD in October 2023 as the Navigator Project Manager. In her role, Liz provides support to certified individuals who work to connect people to affordable, quality healthcare coverage, known as Navigators. Additionally, she works to build connections with community partners that serve uninsured and underinsured populations and oversees several aspects of the Federal Navigator Cooperative Agreement for South Dakota, including outreach and enrollment goals.

Prior to joining CHAD, Liz completed her Master of Social Work from Washington University in Saint Louis with a concentration in Social Impact Leadership and a specialization in Policy. During her graduate studies, Liz engaged in health equity advocacy work, policy drafting, and research with a focus on rural health equity dynamics. Liz gained valuable insight and experience interning at Avera McKennan Hospital and University Health System in Administration, where she worked with leaders in health policy and DEI to ensure citizens in the region had access to life-sustaining services through the growth of the Community Health Worker Program at Avera. Before obtaining her MSW, Liz worked as the Rural Outreach Coordinator at a non-profit dedicated to extinguishing interpersonal violence. In that role, she provided community education and training, built partnerships with stakeholders, worked directly with survivors, consulted with universities regarding their Title IX policies, and managed a variety of grant funds.

Liz lives in Tea, South Dakota with her husband and two dogs. She enjoys cooking, gardening, hiking, paddleboarding, and reading non-fiction.