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Top Health Lobbyist Boston Leaving Baker Donelson For Health Policy Source, Inc

Two former staffers on key congressional health committees will team up in a lobbying shop starting in August when former House Commerce Committee staffer Dan Boston leaves the Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz firm to join former Finance Committee staffer Monica Tencate at Health Policy Source, Inc.

Tencate's current clients include American Healthways, Biogen Idec, Genentech and AdvaMed. Boston currently lobbies for the American Association for Homecare, the Acute Long Term Hospital Association, Catholic Healthcare Partners and the Disease Management Association of America, among others.

Boston will join as a partner in the firm, which has offices in both San Diego and Washington. Health Policy Source specializes in state and federal health programs such as Medicare, Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program in addition to focusing on the uninsured and public health. Its services include developing policy proposals, drafting legislation, conducting policy studies and analyzing current laws and regulations.

Boston moved to Baker Donelson in 2002 as senior public policy advisor. Before that, he worked for three years at the Federation of American Hospitals, ending as vice president of legislation & public affairs. On Capitol Hill, Boston served as a GOP professional health policy staffer to the House Commerce Committee from 1997 to 1999. He also was on the Official Proceedings & Platform Committee for the last two Republican national conventions and the HHS Transition Advisory Committee in 2000.

Tencate started Health Policy Source in 2002 after serving as Republican health policy director for the Senate Finance Committee. She also served as senior health policy advisor to Sen. Bill Frist (R-Tenn.) and as an aide to then-Senate Finance Committee Chairman Bill Roth (R-Del.). Tencate also has ties to the Bush Administration, having helped develop the health platform for the 2000 Republican national convention.

- Nellie Bristol

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