

# The Commonwealth of Kentucky

*Announcing an Outstanding  
Career Opportunity*

## Chief Information Officer





## **Kentucky**

The Commonwealth of Kentucky is a land with diverse environments and abundant resources, including the world's longest cave system, Mammoth Cave National Park; the greatest length of navigable waterways and streams in the contiguous United States; and home to 'the fastest two minutes in sports', the Kentucky Derby. Kentucky's population is approximately 4.5 million and is located within 600 miles of two-thirds of America's population.

## **Agencies**

Kentucky's executive branch is comprised of 11 cabinets supported by more than 30,000 full-time employees serving the public. The Commonwealth's total annual budget is in excess of 30 billion dollars. The Commonwealth Office of Technology (COT) is an agency within the Finance & Administration Cabinet.

## **Mission of Finance & Administration**

Through leadership and innovation, provide centralized support services to all agencies of state government, other government organizations, and the citizens of the Commonwealth. <http://finance.ky.gov/>

## **Mission of COT**

Provide high quality, cost effective, timely, innovative, secure and reliable information management and technological solutions that focus on supporting the business

strategies and operations of the Commonwealth. <http://technology.ky.gov/>

## **About the Department**

The Commonwealth Office of Technology manages a myriad of enterprise-level and agency-specific technology services, including the state network, centralized email and telephony for 30,000+ individuals, the Commonwealth Data Center and a wide variety of mainframe and distributed hardware and software applications.

## **Strategic Goals**

The 2012-2014 strategic plan sets a clear direction toward more centralized, yet collaborative, information technology for the enterprise with a heightened priority and focus to all aspects of IT security. Kentucky state government, led by the Commonwealth Office of Technology must focus on four major IT objectives:

Collaboration - facilitate cross-agency communication and collaboration with a focus on the sharing of ideas and information to allow for better decision making going forward.

Consolidation – centralizing IT for the executive branch will result in cost-savings and the opportunity for technologists to grow their knowledge amongst their peers and specialize in a sound career path.



Compliance - the responsibility to assure the Commonwealth's citizens and business entities that their data is safe and secure with the Commonwealth.

Cost-effectiveness - generate economies of scale for enterprise contracts, the opportunity for cross-agency applications and the opportunity for state staff to learn and share more with their peers.

**The Position**

- The functional head of the Commonwealth Office of Technology, overseeing a staff of 800, an annual department operating budget of \$130 million and having direct oversight of approximately \$600 million in IT capital project budgets.
- The principal adviser to the Governor and the Executive Cabinet on IT policy and administration related to the acquisition, deployment and management of IT resources within the Commonwealth.
- Responsible for the development, implementation and evaluation of the Commonwealth's strategic IT plan, IT policies and architectural vision.
- The CIO will report to the Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet.

**Duties include but are not limited to:**

- Integrating IT and resources plans with agency business plans.

- Assessing, recommending and implementing IT governance and organizational design to include effective IT personnel management and IT management practices.
- Chairing the Commonwealth Technology Advisory Council (TAC).
- Identifying emerging technologies to be assimilated, integrated, and introduced within the enterprise.
- Overseeing IT resources, services and procurements to ensure alignment with enterprise goals.
- Establishing appropriate partnerships and alliances to support the effective implementation of IT projects in the Commonwealth.
- Aligning IT risk management with enterprise-wide risk management.
- Identifying IT applications that should be statewide in scope, and assisting agencies in avoiding duplicate IT services, resources and functions.
- Establishing performance measurement and benchmarking policies and procedures.
- Establishing enterprise IT portfolio management and project oversight through the revitalization of the EPMO.
- Preparing annual reports and plans concerning the status and results of the state's specific IT plans and submitting these annual reports and plans to the Governor and the General Assembly.



## **The Ideal Candidate**

The ideal candidate will possess at a minimum a Baccalaureate degree in Information Technology, Management Information Systems, Business Administration or related field with a minimum of six (6) years senior management experience managing a large organization's IT strategic plan. Other combinations of education and/or experience may be considered. The successful candidate will have demonstrated experience in strategic planning and execution; driving innovation and enterprise business transformation; knowledge of contracting, negotiating and change management; and knowledge of IT computer systems and software. Position requires a comprehensive depth and breadth of knowledge across all aspects of information technology, as well as leadership, management and financial principles. Must have experience with the implementation of IT integration in a large and functionally diverse organization. Excellent professional written/verbal communication and interpersonal skills required. The ability to work independently, with elected officials and department heads from the Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches of government as well as local government offices, primary and secondary educational institutions and quasi-governmental bodies.

## **Compensation and Benefits**

The Commonwealth of Kentucky offers an outstanding comprehensive benefits package. The salary range for this position is commensurate with qualifications and experience. In addition, benefits are valued at approximately 33% of salary. These include offerings for various medical plans, deferred compensation programs, paid holidays, vacation, and sick days as well as compensatory time, and flexible spending accounts for health and dependent care.

<http://personnel.ky.gov/stemp/benefits.htm>

## **How to Apply**

Submit resume and cover (electronic submission preferred) to:

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Finance and Administration Cabinet  
Room 183, Capitol Annex  
Frankfort, KY 40601  
or  
[CIOApplicant@ky.gov](mailto:CIOApplicant@ky.gov)

A comprehensive background and reference check will be conducted on the top finalists. This position is unclassified under the Commonwealth of Kentucky Merit System.

**Deadline for submissions:  
Wednesday, October 31, 2012 at 5 PM  
or until filled**

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is an Equal Opportunity Employer**

