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Chris Harkins brings more than fourteen (14) years of experience in the areas of public policy, legislative relations, state appropriations, budgeting, public administration and community outreach. Chris currently serves as Senior Strategist of Government Relations for Jackson National Life Insurance Company.

Prior to joining Jackson, Chris was employed in the Michigan State Budget Office where he served most recently as Director of the Office of Health and Human Services, coordinating nearly \$24 billion in funds to assist Michigan families and deliver social services. Prior to that role, he served as the Budget Offices' Director of Policy Initiatives and Government Affairs. He has also served as Legislative Liaison and Policy Advisor for the State of Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget and worked for the Michigan House of Representatives for seven years and the Michigan State Senate for two years.

Chris has a B.A. in International Relations from Michigan State University and a M.P.S. in Community and Economic Development from the Pennsylvania State University. In addition to the Youth Solutions Board of Directors, Chris is a board member and previous Treasurer for Habitat for Humanity Capital Region in Lansing.