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Kelly McKenna joined EverThrive Illinois in May 2012. As the manager, she works to strengthen the Immunization Initiative, a broad-based coalition of public and private sector partners working together to increase immunization rates and prevent disease across the lifespan, by promoting the delivery of safe, effective, and timely immunizations. The Immunization Initiative also works to ensure that the public has access to accurate and reliable information about the benefits and risks of vaccines. Additionally, they advocate for immunization policies and legislation that promote a healthier Illinois.

Prior to joining the Immunization Initiative, Ms. McKenna worked as an intern in EverThrive Illinois' Child and Adolescent Health Initiative and at the American Youth Policy Forum in Washington, D.C. She is serving as a co-lead of the National Adult and Influenza Immunization Summit's Influenza Workgroup.

Ms. McKenna has a Master's in Public Policy from George Washington University. Her graduate school coursework included a comprehensive approach to research, policy, and advocacy.