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Abby Long is the Manager of Libraries for the Future's HealthAccess Programs. Her professional interests have largely focused on improving the overall health of communities through development of strategies that aim to strengthen the public health system that exists within each community. As a result, much of her work has involved coordinating state and neighborhood lead health initiatives and/or coalitions that build community capacity through partnership development, while using existing resources to address health issues that impact the community as a whole.

Before joining Libraries for the Future, Abby was the Interim Director of Community Planning for the Chicago Center for Community Partnerships at the Chicago Department of Public Health. Prior to her time at the Chicago Department of Health, she was the Manager of the Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities Project and Program Associate for the Mobilizing for Action through Planning Partnerships Project at the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). She received her Masters in Public Health from the University of Illinois at Chicago.