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16th Annual Conference | Speaker Profiles**

Monday, November 9, 2020 | 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Pre-Conference Session

Maintaining Essential Public Services During a Global Pandemic



Daniel C. Kim, Director
Department of General Services
State of California and
President, National Association of State
Chief Administrators

Daniel C. Kim was appointed director of the California Department of General Services on May 29, 2015.

Kim served as chief deputy director of operations at the California Department of Public Health since 2011. He served as deputy director at the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance from 2002 to 2011, budget and legislative affairs manager at the San Francisco Department of Human Services from 1998 to 2002, management consultant at Price Waterhouse from 1996 to 1998 and fiscal and policy analyst at the California Legislative Analyst’s Office from 1994 to 1996.

Kim has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Economy of Industrialized Societies from the University of California, Berkeley, and a master's degree in Public Policy from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He and his family live in Sacramento.

Delivering Plan Benefits During a Global Pandemic



Robert ‘Neal’ Mills, MD, MBA
Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice
President
AON

Neal is the Chief Medical Officer for Aon’s Health and Benefits practice. He serves clients across North America to assist them with the strategic and tactical planning and implementation of health programs addressing the increasing challenges of health care delivery and finance.

Prior to joining Aon, Neal built teams at Moda Health Plan in Oregon, serving individuals, employers, Medicaid, and Medicare in Oregon, Washington, California, and Alaska. Concurrently, he served as chairman of evidence-based best practices of the Oregon Health Leadership Council. The OHLC is a collaborative organization working to develop practical solutions that reduce health care costs’ rate of increase and premiums so health care and insurance are more affordable.

Neal has also spent nearly two decades in the practice of medicine, with a focus on family medicine. That time includes four years at the U.S. Air Force. Neal also served the National Health Service Corp in a medically underserved area.

Neal’s expertise includes digital health, genomics, substance use disorders, Medicaid, Medicare, Value Based Insurance Designs, Reference Price Programs, Chronic Intensive Ambulatory Care Programs, Medical Homes, Accountable Care Organizations, Risk Sharing Models, Emergency Department Information Exchanges, Specialty Drug Management, Utilization Management Programs, Opioid Management, and Population Health.

COVID-19 – Long-term Federal Policy Implications



Andrew MacPherson
Senior Policy Adviser
Public Sector HealthCare Roundtable
and Managing Partner, Healthsperien,
LLC

Andrew MacPherson provides comprehensive strategic guidance, in-depth policy analysis, legislative strategy, and communications and messaging development on wide-range of federal health policy and political issues, including those related to the implementation of Affordable Care Act (ACA), quality and value-based purchasing, Medicare, Medicaid, prescription drug coverage and pharmaceutical cost containment, long-term care services and supports, chronic care management, and public and private insurance coverage expansions.

Andrew is the Managing Partner of Healthsperien, LLC – a nationally-recognized health care policy consulting firm located in Washington, DC. Through his work with dozens of public and private stakeholders at the local, state, regional and federal level, Andrew has a special emphasis on policy and political issues related to advanced illness and end-of-life. Andrew currently serves as Senior Advisor to several national organizations including the National Partnership for Hospice Innovation, the Coalition to Transform Advanced Care (C-TAC), and End Well: Design for the End-of-Life Experience and is a member of the National POLST Paradigm Leadership Council. He regularly speaks to national audiences on a variety of health policy and political issues, and particularly those related to advanced illness and end-of-life care.

Prior to joining Healthsperien, Andrew was Founder and Principal of MacPherson Strategic, Inc., a health care policy, legislative strategy, and communications consulting firm. MacPherson Strategic served a diverse set of health care stakeholder clients, including consumer groups, broad-based coalitions, innovative health care start-ups, and the largest health care purchasers.

Prior to founding MacPherson Strategic, Andrew served as Director of Government Affairs at Jennings Policy Strategies, Inc. (JPS), a nationally recognized health policy consulting firm led by Chris Jennings, Former Senior Health Care Advisor to President Barack Obama and previously to President Bill Clinton. From 2007-2013, Mr. MacPherson staffed a wide variety of client and pro bono initiatives in the policy, political, and communications arenas with JPS, Inc., such as the Bipartisan Policy Center health reform project with former Majority Leaders Baker, Daschle, Dole and Mitchell, presidential campaigns including Obama for America and Hillary Clinton for President, and the Clinton Global Initiative. While at JPS, Andrew researched and co-authored numerous articles and speeches on a range of health policy issues.

From 2005 to 2007, Andrew served in the Government Relations Department with the American Psychiatric Association (APA). At APA, Andrew developed national policy positions, conducted in-depth research on physician access and reimbursement, and engaged on all aspects of targeted lobbying activities including those related to implementation of the Medicare Part D drug benefit, physician reimbursement under Medicare and mental health “parity” legislation.

From 2001 to 2004, Andrew worked for a range of policy and political organizations and elected officials, including Senator Carl Levin (D-Mich.), Democratic Governors’ Association, Vermont Democratic Party, Senator Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) and Penn, Schoen & Berland Associates, Inc., a market research and strategic communications consulting firm based in Washington, D.C.

Originally from Vermont, Andrew received a B.A. in Political Science from The George Washington University in May 2005.

The 2020 Election – Insights and Observations Looking Ahead to 2021



Jonathan Allen
Senior Political Analyst
NBC News

Jonathan Allen, co-author of the New York Times-bestselling Clinton biography "HRC," has covered Congress, the White House and elections over the past 15 years. Jon won the Dirksen and Hume awards as a reporter for CQ -- the first place he worked in Washington. A frequent political analyst on national television, he's also been Bloomberg's Washington bureau chief and Politico's White House bureau chief.

The U.S. Supreme Court and the Affordable Care Act – What Should We Expect



Timothy S. Jost
Robert L. Willett Family Professor of
Law, Emeritus
Washington and Lee University School
of Law

Tim Jost retired as the Robert L. Willett Family Professorship of Law at the Washington and Lee University School of Law. He is a co-author of a casebook, *Health Law*, used widely throughout the United States in teaching health law, and of a treatise and hornbook by the same name. He is also the author of *Health Care Coverage Determinations: An International Comparative Study; Disentitlement? The Threats Facing our Public Health Care Programs and a Rights-Based Response*; and *Readings in Comparative Health Law and Bioethics*, the second edition of which appeared this spring.

He has also written numerous articles and book chapters on health care regulation and comparative health law and policy, and has lectured on health law topics throughout the world. His most recent book is *Health Care at Risk: A Critique of the Consumer-Driven Movement*, which was published by Duke University Press in 2007.

Admitted to practice in Illinois and Ohio; Staff Attorney, Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago, 1975-76; Supervisory Attorney, Legal Services for the Mentally Disabled of Uptown, 1977-78; Supervisory Attorney, Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago, 1979-81; Assistant Professor, Ohio State University College of Law, 1981-85; Associate Professor, 1985-87; Associate Professor, Division of Hospital and Health Services Administration, Ohio State University College of Medicine, 1986-87; Professor, Ohio State University College of Law and College of Medicine, 1987-92; Visiting Fellow and European Fulbright Regional Research Scholar, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, Wolfson College, Oxford University, 1988-89; Guest Professor and Fulbright Scholar, Universität, Göttingen, Germany, 1996-97; Newton D. Baker, Baker & Hostetler Chair of Law and Professor of College of Medicine and Public Health, Division of Health Services Management and Policy, Ohio State University, 1992-2001; Visiting Professor of Law, Washington and Lee University, spring 2000; Robert L. Willett Family Professor of Law, 2001-2014.

Congressional Health Care Priorities



Rachana Pradhan
National Correspondent
Kaiser Health News

Rachana Pradhan, Correspondent, reports on a broad array of national health policy decisions and their effect on everyday Americans.

She came to KHN from Politico, where for five years she covered health care policy and politics on national and state levels. Rachana has been involved in several high-impact projects in her time as a health care reporter, including an investigation into former HHS Secretary Tom Price’s extensive use of private jets at taxpayers’ expense. The investigation, which resulted in Price’s resignation, was a 2018 finalist for the American Society of News Editors’ O’Brien Fellowship Award and earned an honorable mention in the White House Correspondents’ Association’s Edgar A. Poe award.

Rachana’s other reporting stints include covering city government for The Daily Progress newspaper in Charlottesville, Virginia, and reporting on the implementation of the Affordable Care Act for Inside Health Policy, a health care trade publication. She graduated from James Madison University.

The Perspective from Congress – In the Short-Term and in 2021



Wendell Primus, PhD
Senior Policy Adviser, Office of House
Speaker Nancy Pelosi

Wendell Primus is the Senior Policy Advisor on Budget and Health issues to Speaker Nancy Pelosi. In that capacity, he was the lead staffer in developing the Affordable Care Act. He also played a major role in the SGR legislation in 2015 and various budget agreements.

to this appointment in March, 2005, Dr. Primus was the Minority Staff Director at the Joint Economic Committee. He has also held positions at the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, served in the Clinton Administration at the Department of Health and Human Services and also served as Chief Economist for the House Ways and Means Committee and Staff Director for the Committee’s Subcommittee on Human Resources. Dr. Primus received his Ph.D. in economics from Iowa State University.



Brett Baker, Senior Health Policy
Advisor, U.S. Senate Committee on
Finance

Brett Baker is a Senior Health Policy Advisor on the staff of the Committee on Finance, United States Senate. His focus is on Medicare payment policy, including the Part D prescription drug benefit. Brett previously served as professional member on the staff of the Subcommittee on Health, Committee on Ways and Means, United States House of Representatives (2011-2015), where he focused on a similar set of issues. Brett has worked on many of the major pieces of health legislation during his time on Capitol Hill, most notably the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA).

Prior to working in the United States Congress, Brett worked for the American College of Physicians (1995-2011), where he advocated on behalf of internists for payment and delivery system changes, including advancing the patient centered medical home as a method to improve quality of care and decrease overall costs. Brett holds a BS in Health Policy and Administration from the Pennsylvania State University.

Drug Costs and the Purchaser Community



David M Cutler, PhD
Otto Eckstein Professor of Applied
Economics, Harvard University

David Cutler has developed an impressive record of achievement in both academia and the public sector. He served as Assistant Professor of Economics from 1991 to 1995, was named John L. Loeb Associate Professor of Social Sciences in 1995, and received tenure in 1997. He is currently the Otto Eckstein Professor of Applied Economics in the Department of Economics and was named Harvard College Professor in 2014 until 2019. Professor Cutler holds secondary appointments at the Kennedy School of Government and the School of Public Health. Professor Cutler was associate dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences for Social Sciences from 2003-2008.

Honored for his scholarly work and singled out for outstanding mentorship of graduate students, Professor Cutler's work in health economics and public economics has earned him significant academic and public acclaim. Professor Cutler served on the Council of Economic Advisers and the National Economic Council during the Clinton Administration and has advised the Presidential campaigns of Bill Bradley, John Kerry, and Barack Obama as well as being Senior Health Care Advisor for the Obama Presidential Campaign. Among other affiliations, Professor Cutler has held positions with the National Institutes of Health and the National Academy of Sciences. Currently, Professor Cutler is a Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research, a member of the Institute of Medicine, and a Fellow of the Employee Benefit Research Institute. He advises many companies and groups on health care.

Professor Cutler was a key advisor in the formulation of the recent cost control legislation in Massachusetts, and is one of the members of the Health Policy Commission created to help reduce medical spending in that state.

Professor Cutler is author of two books, several chapters in edited books, and many published papers on the topics of health care and other public policy topics. Author of [*Your Money Or Your Life: Strong Medicine for America's Health Care System*](#), published by Oxford University Press, this book, and Professor Cutler's ideas, were the subject of a feature article in the *New York Times* Magazine, [*The Quality Cure*](#), by Roger Lowenstein. Cutler's most recent book, *The Quality Cure*, pursues these themes. Cutler was recently named one of the 30 people who could have a powerful impact on healthcare by *Modern Healthcare* magazine and one of the 50 most influential men aged 45 and younger by *Details* magazine.

Professor Cutler received an AB from Harvard University (1987) and a PhD in Economics from MIT (1991).

Controlling the Cost of Prescription Drugs – A Panel Discussion



Leigh Purvis, MBA, Director of Health Care Costs and Access, AARP's Public Policy Institute

Leigh Purvis is the Director of Health Care Costs and Access in AARP's Public Policy Institute. She leads a team of policy analysts and researchers who work on health care issues that are relevant to the 50+ population. In addition, Ms. Purvis heads the Institute's work on prescription drug and mental health issues. Her primary areas of expertise are prescription drug pricing, biologic drugs, and prescription drug coverage under Medicare. She is a coauthor of the Public Policy Institute's annual *Rx Price Watch* reports, which track price trends for prescription drugs widely used by older Americans.

Ms. Purvis joined AARP in 2005 as a senior policy research analyst. Prior to her tenure at AARP, she worked for the American Psychological Association. Ms. Purvis is a recognized expert on prescription drug issues and frequently speaks with the press.

Ms. Purvis has a MPA with a concentration in health administration and policy from George Mason University and a BS in psychology from the University of Mary Washington. She also holds a certificate in gerontology from the University of Washington.



Jonathan Heafitz, Vice President of Federal Affairs Pharmaceutical Care Management Association (PCMA)

Jonathan Heafitz currently serves as Assistant Vice President of Federal Affairs for the Pharmaceutical Care Management Association (PCMA), the nation's trade association for pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs).

Serving in this capacity since 2007, Jonathan works as the principal advocate for federal policies promoting affordable and accessible prescription drugs on behalf of more than 260 million Americans. In this capacity, Mr. Heafitz is responsible for providing strategic guidance and advising multiple Fortune 50 companies on their Washington, DC advocacy.

Mr. Heafitz has significant Capitol Hill experience, having served as Deputy Legislative Director and Legislative Assistant to Senator Mark Dayton (D-MN), as well as Legislative Assistant to Representative John F. Tierney (D-MA) and Legislative Aide to Senator Jay Rockefeller (D-WV), Chairman of the Health Subcommittee of the Senate Finance Committee. In addition, Mr. Heafitz has worked for Ascension Health, the nation's largest nonprofit health system.

Mr. Heafitz is a graduate of Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts, and holds a Master of Public Policy in Health Policy from the McCourt School of Public Policy at Georgetown University.



Brian Lehman, Interim Director, Strategic Alliances and US Patient Advocacy, Sandoz, Inc.

Brian Lehman serves as Director, Medical Account Management and Strategic Alliances at Sandoz Inc. In his role, Brian is a field medical and pharmaceutical policy expert to leadership of managed market and strategic alliance accounts.

Brian has 20 years of pharmacy plan management and retail pharmacy management experience, including activities in specialty drug management, influencing pharmaceutical policy and regulations, advocating for biosimilars, consulting and teaching. Prior to joining Sandoz, Brian held several pharmacy management roles across various organizations, including manager of public policy at Humana, manager of the prescription drug program and policy at the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System, director of pharmacy benefits at the Ohio State University (OSU) Health Plan and pharmacy team leader at Target Pharmacy.

Brian has served as a clinical assistant professor at the OSU College of Pharmacy and is currently serving as an adjunct professor. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy from Ohio State University, a Master of Business Administration from Franklin University and a Master of Health Administration from OSU.

Delivering Affordable Health Benefits in a Global Pandemic Environment – A View from America’s Health Plans



Miranda Motter
Senior Vice President, State Affairs & Policy, America’s Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)

Miranda serves as Senior Vice President of State Affairs and Policy for America’s Health Insurance Plans (AHIP). In this role she is responsible for AHIP’s state policy and advocacy agenda, as well as AHIP’s political engagement strategy with state officials, regulatory agencies, and key policymakers.

Prior to joining AHIP, Miranda was the President and CEO of the Ohio Association of Health Plans (OAHP), the public voice for the health insurance industry in the state of Ohio, providing thought leadership on policy initiatives that drive improvements for access to high quality affordable health care for the more than 9 million Ohioans covered by OAHP’s 15-member health plans. She served in that role for more than 8+ years representing Ohio’s commercial, Medicaid managed care and Medicare Advantage member plans on a variety of legislative and regulatory issues before state policymakers and regulators.

Under Miranda’s leadership, OAHP became a recognized influential opinion leader, strategic thinker and problem solver with policymakers and health care stakeholders.

Prior to her work at OAHP, Miranda practiced law for over 10 years at Bricker & Eckler LLP in Columbus, Ohio where she represented insurance companies and trade association clients on various legal, regulatory and legislative matters before the Ohio General Assembly and the executive branch of State government.

Miranda served on former Governor George Voinovich’s personal staff and worked as a legal research assist from 1996-1998. In the summer of 1995, Miranda interned for then U.S. Senator Mike DeWine in Washington, D.C.

Miranda holds a Bachelor of Art in Political Science and History, Cum Laude, from Anderson University and a Juris Doctor, Magna Cum Laude from Capital University Law School.

2021 Outlook on Key Issues for Public Sector Purchaser



Shawn Gremminger
Director of Health Policy
Pacific Business Group on Health

Shawn Gremminger is PBGH's Director of Health Policy.

Gremminger joined PBGH from Families USA, where he was Senior Director, Federal Relations. In that position, he led all federal-government interactions and directed the launch of Families USA's new health care value initiative, Consumers First. Gremminger previously served as Director of Legislative Affairs, America's Essential Hospitals; and Associate Director, Federal Legislative Affairs, Children's Hospital Association.

Gremminger achieved a Master of Public Policy from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, V.A.



Mike Hoak, Director
Public Policy | Corporate Affairs
Humana

Mike Hoak is Director of Public Policy for Humana. In this role, he is responsible for strategy development and execution of Humana's federal public policy initiatives relating to Medicare Advantage, Medicare Part D, and health information technology.

Prior to joining Humana in 2012, he served as a policy consultant at Capitol Counsel LLC, working with leading companies and organizations throughout the health care system, including drug and device manufacturers, drug wholesalers, pharmacy benefit managers, pharmacies, provider organizations, and payers. Prior to moving to D.C., Mike taught American history and historical archaeology at the College of William and Mary – where he currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association and the Graduate Studies Advisory Board.

Mike holds a Bachelor's degree from James Madison University and a Master's degree in History from the College of William and Mary.



Andrew Sperline, Director, Legislative
and Policy Advocacy
National Alliance on Mental Illness

Andrew Sperline has been Director of Legislative and Policy Advocacy at NAMI since 1996. In that role, he oversees NAMI's federal policy agenda in Congress and before federal agencies. He also serves as a consumer representative to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and as co-chair of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities Housing Task Force.

Andrew received his B.A. from Tulane University, his M.A. from The George Washington University and his J.D. from Franklin Pierce Law Center.

Assessing and Leveraging the Scale of State Purchasing Power: A Study



John Kaelin, Senior Advisor, Centene Corporation, and Visiting Fellow, Rockefeller Institute of Government

John Kaelin has diverse executive level experience in the health care industry spanning government, academia, U.S. based health insurers and health systems in the Middle East. At Centene, he leads the Washington D.C. based public policy team with a focus on commercial health insurance policy and Medicaid.

Previous positions include SVP for health reform at UnitedHealth Group and Executive Director of the University of Maryland’s Hilltop Institute where he supported that state’s efforts to implement managed care for Medicaid and a risk adjusted payment system. Earlier in his career, John served in New York State government where led the financing team in the development and implementation of New York’s first 1115 Medicaid managed care waiver in the mid-1990s.

John has maintained his academic affiliations with University of Maryland teaching classes in health finance and policy and as a visiting fellow at the Rockefeller Institute of Government at the State University of New York.



James Dewan, Director, Employee Benefits at Department of Civil Service, State of New York

Jim DeWan is a Visiting Fellow at the Rockefeller Institute of Government. He is also the Director of the Employee Benefits Division at the New York State Department of Civil Service. At the Department of Civil Service, he manages the New York State Health Insurance Program, which provides health insurance benefits to over 1.2 million individuals, including employees and retirees of New York State, participating local governments, and their dependents.

Prior to joining the Department of Civil Service, Jim worked for the New York State Executive Chamber and the Division of the Budget. In those positions, he worked on the publication of the February 2013 Spending and Government Efficiency (SAGE) Commission Report and the enactment of various pieces of legislation, including the “Tier 5” and “Tier 6” pension reform bills and the New York State real property tax cap law.

Jim holds a Master of Public Administration degree from the Maxwell School of Citizenship at Syracuse University.

Health Approach to Law Enforcement and Community Safety



Lawrence J. Morrissey, J.D., Vice President for Government Relations and Vice President for Sales Midwest Region, Marathon Health

After 12 years as Mayor of the City of Rockford, Larry Morrissey joined Marathon Health in 2017 as Vice President of Government Sales & Government Relations.

During Morrissey's time as mayor, he drove a healthcare agenda that included a population health approach to areas like ending Veterans homelessness and reducing violent crime. The City applied the same approach in supporting its own employees, turning around a multi-million dollar employee health fund deficit into a surplus and partnering with Marathon Health to create its own health center to provide integrated primary care for City employees and their family members.

After two infant children of City employees suffered from a life-threatening condition in 2015, Morrissey launched a class action lawsuit on behalf of the City of Rockford to address the massive increase in the cost of the treatment drug, Acthar. The City's lawsuit against the manufacturer and the pharmacy benefits manager continues today and it alleges an illegal conspiracy to raise the price of Acthar in violation of antitrust laws. The lawsuit was covered in a *60 Minutes* story on CBS in May of 2018.

Morrissey now applies his experience with Marathon Health supporting government organizations in developing healthcare solutions. Marathon Health operates employer-sponsored health centers and manages population health for over 550,000 members for over 200 customers in over 40 States. Marathon Health and its customers work together toward the *Healthcare Triple Aim* of better patient experience, better health outcomes, and lower costs.

Morrissey is honored to share ideas and strategies for improving the health of employees and their family members. He is also passionate about holding the healthcare and pharmaceutical industries accountable. He believes that public and private employers working together can drive a grassroots healthcare revolution. He continues to live in Rockford, Illinois with his wife, Stacy, and their four children.



Bruce A. Hochstadt, MD
Executive Vice President, Marathon Health

Bruce Hochstadt, MD is an Executive Vice President of Marathon Health, LLC, a leading operator of onsite and near-site health centers focused on improving population health for major employers and plan sponsors. His areas of responsibility include sales and health center operations.


Prior to joining Marathon Health in 2019, Dr. Hochstadt was the Chief Operating Officer of Grace Therapeutics, Inc., a specialty pharmaceutical company with product candidates in clinical development for the treatment of rare and orphan central nervous system (CNS) conditions.

Prior to Grace, Dr. Hochstadt was the National Practice Leader at Willis Towers Watson managing the firm's consulting services addressing employer-sponsored health centers. Before WTW, he was a Partner at Mercer.


Prior to consulting, Dr. Hochstadt headed private investments for EJ Financial Services and was a senior equity research analyst for Thomas Weisel Partners (Principal), Jefferies & Company (Vice President) and Vector Securities International (Associate) covering emerging life science and health service companies. Earlier in his career, he led the Medical Underwriting Department for Aetna as it transformed from a traditional indemnity insurance carrier into the dominant managed care organization it is today.

Dr. Hochstadt holds degrees from Harvard University (AB in Biochemistry), Boston University School of Medicine (MD) and The Wharton School (MBA in Healthcare Management). He trained in General Surgery at Tufts University School of Medicine and practiced Burn and Trauma Surgery in Philadelphia following his residency and while completing an MBA.

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| | <p>Dr. Hochstadt is an Independent Director of Ascension Ventures and on the Advisory Board of the National Association of Worksite Health Centers (NAWHC). He has also served on and chaired the boards of other commercial healthcare organizations as well as non-profit community-service organizations.</p> |
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|  <p>Eric Schrupf, Executive Vice President, Multi-Employer Practice, Managing Director, Union Labor Market</p> | <p>Eric Schrupf leads Marathon Health's Multi-Employer Practice as an executive vice president and serves as the Managing Director of its Union Labor market segment.</p> <p>While Eric knows that health insurance is necessary and valuable, he believes that insurance without access is meaningless, and access without quality is dangerous. This is where Eric has dedicated his career. He believes that American families deserve a healthcare that puts patients at the center of care and helps support improved outcomes for plan sponsors and members.</p> <p>Eric has been with Marathon Health for over a decade. He is a recognized leader within the onsite/near-site plan-sponsored medical industry. Eric has vast experience developing solutions that align the interests of management and labor.</p> <p>Eric lives in Chattanooga, TN, with his wife and three young children. He is also a combat veteran of the United States Marine Corps, where he served with distinction for seven years.</p> |
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Thursday, November 12, 2020 | 4:30 PM | Annual Business Meeting

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|  <p>Gary Harbin, CPA, President, Public Sector HealthCare Roundtable, Executive Secretary, Teachers' Retirement System of Kentucky</p> | <p>Gary L. Harbin has served as the Executive Secretary of the Teachers' Retirement System of Kentucky (TRS) since December 2000 and was Chief Deputy Executive Secretary from 1999 until assuming duties as Executive Secretary. Prior to coming with the System in 1999, he was Chief Financial Officer of two nationwide companies, and prior to that, a partner in a regional CPA firm for twenty years in Frankfort, Kentucky. While partner in the CPA firm, he was in charge of the audit of TRS and other public plans for nineteen years, giving him over thirty years of experience with public pension plans.</p> <p>During his tenure as Executive Secretary of TRS, Mr. Harbin has been recognized for implementing significant advancements in the governance and operations of the retirement system. In 2010, Mr. Harbin lead a coalition that developed a plan to pre-fund retiree health benefits through the "shared responsibility" of retired members, active teachers, employers and the state. The historic solution eliminated \$5 billion in future taxpayer responsibility for providing medical benefits for retired teachers. Mr. Harbin also has developed strategies for returning to work following retirement in an actuarially sound manner, reorganized the system's Investment Committee to include nationally recognized investment experts, implemented a web-based trustee education program, established an internal audit program, established a call center and imaging system for member records, replaced TRS's legacy computer system with a web-based system and is currently overseeing a pilot project for retiree healthcare implementing personalized medicine.</p> <p>Mr. Harbin serves as President of the Public Sector Health Care Roundtable, headquartered in Washington, DC. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Know Your Rx Coalition and served as President of the National Council on Teacher Retirement.</p> <p>Mr. Harbin is a 1972 graduate of the University of Kentucky, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. He was admitted to practice as a Certified Public Accountant in 1975.</p> |
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