



## 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Business Meeting

*“Confronting Unprecedented Challenges, Embracing New Opportunities:  
The Biden Administration, Congress, and Public Sector Purchasers”*

### Agenda

#### Monday, November 1, 2021

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM **Pre-Conference Session: *Health Plan Administrators – A Roundtable Discussion***

11:00 AM – 11:10 AM **Welcome and Overview**

11:10 AM – 11:45 AM ***Now’s The Time - Addressing Health Equity & Social Determinants of Health***

**Nwando Olayiwola, MD**  
*Senior Vice President  
Chief Health Equity Officer  
Humana*

**Andrew Renda, MD**  
*Vice President  
Bold Goal and Population Health Strategy  
Humana*

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM **Next Steps in Data Innovation – You Collect Data. Now What?**

**John Thomas, Chief Data Officer**  
**Damon Haycock, Public Sector Program Director**  
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3:00 PM – 4:15 PM **Conference Session One – *The Keynote Address***

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM **Welcome and Conference Overview**

**Gary Harbin, CPA, Roundtable President and  
Executive Secretary, Teachers’ Retirement System of Kentucky**

**Tom Lussier, Administrator**  
*Public Sector HealthCare Roundtable*

**Andrew MacPherson, Senior Policy Adviser**  
*Public Sector HealthCare Roundtable*

3:15 PM – 3:45 PM

**New Administration, New Congress: Perspectives on Health Care Policy During a Global Pandemic**

**Jonathan Cohn**

*Senior National Correspondent*

*HuffPost*

*Author, “The Ten Year War: ObamaCare and the Unfinished Crusade for Universal Coverage”*

3:45 PM – 4:15 PM

**Public Health, Public Policy and the Public Sector:  
Evaluating the Ongoing Global Pandemic**

**Anand Parekh, MD**

*Chief Medical Advisor*

*Bipartisan Policy Center*

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

**Optional – Feedback and Questions**

**Tuesday, November 2, 2021**

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

**Conference Session Two – *Federal Health Care Policy Updates***

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

**Perspectives and Health Care Priorities from the Biden Administration**

**Hon. Andrea Palm**

*Deputy Secretary*

*U.S. Department of Health & Human Services*

11:30AM – 12:00PM

**A View from the U.S. Congress: U.S. Senate Health Care Reform Efforts**

**Conor Sheehey**

*Health Policy Advisor – Minority Staff*

*U. S. Senate Committee on Finance*

**Martha Cramer**

*Health Policy Advisor*

*Office of U.S. Senate Ben Cardin (D-MD)*

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

**The Roundtable’s Congressional Priorities**

**Andrew MacPherson, Senior Policy Adviser**

*Public Sector HealthCare Roundtable*

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

**Lunch & Learn Breakout Sessions**

3:15 PM – 4:30 PM

**Conference Session Three – *Addressing the Skyrocketing Cost of Prescriptions Drugs in the U.S.***

3:15PM – 3:35 PM

**Drug Costs and the Purchaser Community**

**Daniel Kracov**

*Partner, Co-Chair, Life Sciences and Healthcare  
Regulatory Practice  
Arnold and Porter, Washington, DC  
and Board Chair  
Food and Drug Law Institute*

3:45 PM – 4:45 PM

**Controlling the Cost of Prescription Drugs – A Panel Discussion**

**Zachary A. Goodman, MD**

*Director, Clinical Innovation  
Evernorth*

**Steve Knievel**

*Advocate  
Public Citizen’s Access to  
Medicines Program*

**Larry Atkins, Ph.D.**

*Advisor  
Value-in-Medicine Initiative*

4:45 PM – 5:15 PM

**Optional – Feedback and Questions**

**Wednesday, November 3, 2021**

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**Conference Session Four – *Delivering Affordable Health Benefits in a Global Pandemic Environment***

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

**A View from Our Medicare Advantage Partners**

**Mary Beth Donahue**

*President and CEO  
Better Medicare Alliance*

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Promoting Health Care Competition: Alleviating Pricing Pressure for Purchasers**

**Synda Mark**

*Attorney Advisor  
Commissioner Rebecca Kelly Slaughter  
U.S. Federal Trade Commission*

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

**2021-22 Outlook on Key Issues for Public Sector Purchasers**

***Surprise Billing***

**Katy Spangler**

*Coalition to Address Surprise Medical Billing*

**Telehealth  
Innovations**                      **Kyle Zebley**  
*Vice President, Public Policy*  
*American Telemedicine Association*

**Opioid Crisis**                      **Beth Connolly**  
*Project Director*  
*Substance Use Prevention and Treatment Initiative*  
*The Pew Charitable Trusts*

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

**Lunch & Learn Breakout Sessions**

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

**Conference Session Five – *Innovation in the Public Sector***

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

**Innovations in Home-based Health Care: The Emergence of ‘Hospital at Home’**

**Bruce Allen Leff, M.D.**  
*Director*  
*The Center for Transformative Geriatric Research and*  
*Professor of Medicine*  
*Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine*

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**Innovation in the Public Sector**

3:30 PM

Innovation in Breast Cancer Care

**Jane Cheshire Gilbert, Director**  
*Retiree Health Care*  
*Teachers’ Retirement System of Kentucky*

**Brian Erpenbeck, BS, BA**  
*Director*  
*National Accounts & Strategic Partnerships,*  
*Breast Cancer Index*

3:50 PM

Generic Drugs Price-Fixing Litigation – An Update

**Cindy Reichline**  
*Partner*  
*BRS LLP*

4:15 PM

Launching the Roundtable’s 2021-22 Specialty Drug Survey

**Sean Douglass**  
*Survey Project Manager and*  
*Lead Administrator of Benefit Systems*  
*Michigan Office of Retirement Services*

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

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