



Health Cabinet Affordability Summit Agenda

March 15, 7:30 - 10:00 A.M.

This FREE virtual event is designed for policy makers, advocates, payers, care providers, health care leaders and other industry stakeholders.

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7:30 - 7:40 a.m.: Opening with Lt. Governor Dianne Primavera and Executive Director Kim Bimestefer, Dept. of Health Care Policy and Financing

7:40 - 8:00 a.m.: Rural Hospital Supports

Description: This panel will discuss considerations and opportunities for rural hospital support, investment and transformation.

Moderator: Nancy Dolson, HCPF Finance Office, Special Financing Division Director

- Benjamin D. Anderson, MBA, MHCDS, Vice President, Rural Health and Hospitals
- Kevin Stansbury, CHA Board Chair, CEO Lincoln Hospital
- Michelle Mills, CEO, Colorado Rural Health Center
- Stephanie Pugliese, Director, Colorado Office of eHealth Innovation

8:00 - 8:25 a.m.: Prescription Drug Affordability

Description: This panel will share progress made and further opportunities to save money on prescription drugs so Coloradans can afford the medications they need to stay healthy. Program discussions will include the Prescription Drug Affordability Board, drug importation from Canada, the Prescriber Tool, 2022 rebates bill implementation update, value based contracting and spread pricing prohibition policy considerations.

Moderator: Kim Bimestefer, HCPF Executive Director

- Lila Cummings, DOI Prescription Drug Affordability Board Director
- Lauren Reveley, HCPF Pharmacy Office, Drug Importation Program Manager
- Tom Leahey, HCPF Pharmacy Officer Director
- Gerard Anderson, PhD, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health



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8:25 - 8:55 a.m.: Hospital Affordability Report Findings, Tools and Policies

Description: This panel will discuss national hospital trends, state research and policy considerations related to hospital affordability, price and financial transparency as well as community investment. This session will also synthesize key findings from several 2023 legislative reports, preview 2022 emerging data insights and introduce new pricing and affordability tools.

Moderator: Marilyn Bartlett, CPA, CMA, CFM, Senior Policy Fellow, Center for Health System Costs at the National Academy for State Health Policy

- Nancy Dolson, HCPF Finance Office, Special Financing Division Director
- Donna Lynne, DrPH, CEO, Denver Health

8:55 - 9:20 a.m.: Keep Coloradans Covered After the Public Health Emergency

Description: This panel will share statewide, collective work to Keep Coloradans Covered, including collaboration across stakeholders to help ensure members who continue to be eligible for our programs stay enrolled and to connect disenrolling individuals to other sources of affordable coverage.

Moderator: Kim Bimestefer, HCPF Executive Director

- Marivel Klueckman, HCPF Medicaid Operations Office, Eligibility Division Director
- Rachel Reiter, HCPF Policy and Communications Director
- Ezra Watland, Communications Director, Connect for Health Colorado
- Michael Conway, Division of Insurance Commissioner

9:20 - 9:35 a.m.: Value Based Payments

Description: This session will share how the state is expanding and aligning value-based payment models that reward providers for better patient outcomes, closing health disparities and driving affordability. This work spans the Hospital Transformation Program, maternity bundled payments, the Prescriber Tool, primary care and more.

Presenters:

- Tara Smith, Primary Care and Affordability Director, Division of Insurance
- Trevor Abetya, HCPF Finance Office, Payment Reform Director
- Peter Walsh, M.D., HCPF Chief Medical Officer

9:35 - 9:53 a.m.: Questions

9:54 - 10:00 a.m.: Closing