



**2018 Fall NAMD Meeting
Washington Hilton
1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20009
November 12-14, 2018**

FINAL DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, November 12 – State Only Day

8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Installation Hours
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Meeting for Medicaid Directors and State Staff Only
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Opening Reception – All Attendees

Tuesday, November 13

7:00 am – 4:45	Registration Desk Open
7:00 am – 4:45 pm	Exhibit Hall Open
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Early Bird Coffee in the Exhibit Hall
8:00 – 9:00 am	All Attendee Breakfast – Sponsored by Centene Corporation
9:00 – 9:15 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks Matt Salo, Executive Director of NAMD, and Judy Mohr Peterson, president of NAMD’s board of directors and Medicaid Director in the state of Hawaii, will welcome participants to Washington, DC and NAMD’s 2018 Fall meeting.

Speakers: Matt Salo, NAMD and Judy Mohr Peterson, Hawaii Medicaid

9:15 – 9:45 am

Plenary Session: Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services Alex Azar

The Secretary will share his vision for HHS, CMS, and the Medicaid program, including the critical role Medicaid agencies play in providing public health care to 70 million Americans.

9:45 – 11:15 am

Plenary: Better Understanding the Increase in Deaths of Despair: Opportunities in State Policy

Across the country, states have witnessed – and data have confirmed – a decrease in life expectancy, which is particularly stark for lower-income, white men. This panel will discuss what the current data tell us about this trend, and will explore the potential underlying causes, as well as the steps different sectors are taking to try to address and reverse the trend.

Moderator: Noam Levey

Panelists:

- *Van Ingram, Kentucky*
- *Marvin Figueroa, Virginia*
- *Eric Schneider*
- *More to be announced*

11:15 – 11:45 am

Visit Exhibit Hall

11:45 am – 1:00 pm

CONCURRENT BREAKOUTS

Breakout One

Medicaid and Tribal Populations: Partnerships and Innovations

During this session, participants will learn about the unique factors, challenges and opportunities facing tribes around health care and Medicaid. Representatives at the state, tribal, and federal level will share their perspectives on care delivery reform and opportunities to improve the health and well-being of tribal nations.

Opening and Welcome to Participants: W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chair/CEO Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe

Moderator: Tom Betlach, Arizona

Speakers:

- *Kitty Marx, CMCS Tribal representative:*
- *Margaret Brodie, Alaska*

- *Jim Roberts, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium*
- *Bill Snyder, South Dakota*

Breakout Two

Strengthening Partnerships with Medicaid Directors

This session will identify strategies for how outside vendors who partner with Medicaid agencies can do so more effectively. It will explore how the relationship between Medicaid agencies and outside vendors can be strengthened to meet the strategic vision of the Medicaid program; how to operationalize that vision to improve outcomes for beneficiaries and ensure the sustainability of the Medicaid program; and how vendors and Medicaid can define a relationship along the continuum of collaborator to regulator, among other topics.

Moderator: Marie Zimmerman, Minnesota

Speakers:

- *Dave Richard, North Carolina*
- *Beth Kidder, Florida*
- *Judy Mohr Peterson, Hawaii*

Breakout Three

Evolving Medicaid Systems: Next Steps for TMSIS and Modularity

Medicaid's increasing complexity, reflecting the diversity of its covered populations and innovations in payment reforms and benefit design, requires sophisticated data to support state goals. In this session, attendees will learn how states are conceptualizing and operationalizing their data systems to support program goals and oversight, and will hear how CMS is leveraging data strategies to ensure robust evaluation and promote accountability.

Moderator: Jess Kahn, McKinsey

Speakers:

- *To be announced*

Breakout Four

Collaborative Approaches to Treating Substance Use Disorders for Pregnant Women and Newborns

This session will focus on building cross-agency and cross-sector partnerships to address substance use disorders in pregnant women and babies enrolled in Medicaid. Participants will learn about collaborative approaches for building a substance use disorder treatment system that effectively serves women and their babies throughout pregnancy and into the post-partum period. Key topics for discussion will include:

- Identifying and engaging pregnant women in substance use disorder treatment;
- Ensuring access to appropriate, evidence-based substance use disorder treatment and recovery services for pregnant women; and
- Addressing the need for substance use disorder treatment and recovery services for post-partum women and families.

Moderator: Marielle Kress, American Academy of Pediatrics

Speakers:

- *Carol Steckel, Kentucky*
- *Leesa Allen, Pennsylvania*
- *Dawn Alley, CMMI*

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Networking Lunch – Sponsored by **Aetna Medicaid**

2:30 – 3:30 pm

Beneficiaries Helping to Improve the Medicaid Program

Beneficiaries will discuss how they are helping to make the Medicaid program patient-centered, effective, and higher-value for all beneficiaries. They will describe the formal and informal vehicles for engagement with the Medicaid agency or health plans and offer their advice to Medicaid for ways to innovate around patient engagement.

Moderator: Kate McEvoy, Connecticut Medicaid

Speakers:

- *Karen Kiley, Connecticut, Peer Support Specialist, Beacon Health Options/CT-BHP*
- *Laura Ward, Colorado Member Experience Advisory Council*
- *Lisa Richard, Virginia Commonwealth University's Center for Family Involvement*

3:30 – 4:00 pm

Visit Exhibit Hall

4:00 – 5:15 pm

CONCURRENT BREAKOUTS

Breakout One

Opening the Black Box: Enhancing Transparency in the Medicaid Pharmacy Benefit

As the list prices of pharmaceuticals continue to trend upwards, states are taking new and innovative steps to ensure the sustainability of the pharmacy benefit in their Medicaid programs. In this session, attendees will learn how states are using new statutory tools to better understand pharmacy pricing and about new managed care contracting strategies.

Moderator: Jerry Dubberly, former Georgia Medicaid Director

Speakers:

- *Barbara Sears, Ohio*
- *More to be announced*

Breakout Two

The Nuts and Bolts of Work & Community Engagement Requirements

While the political and legal controversy surrounding community engagement initiatives continues to swirl, Medicaid Directors are on the front lines of efforts to operationalize these initiatives. This session will look at how Medicaid Directors are putting together the nuts and bolts of these new programs, and the challenges and opportunities they are navigating along the way.

Moderator: John McCarthy

Potential speakers:

- *Henry Lipman, New Hampshire*
- *Nate Checketts, Utah*
- *Judith Cash, CMCS*
- *More to be announced*

Breakout Three

MCO Contracting Strategies for Children in The Child Welfare System

This session will explore different models for serving children in the child welfare system through managed care, such as a special needs plans; leveraging a single mainstream managed care plan; or serving these children through multiple mainstream MCOs. It will explore the opportunities and challenges of each model, and strategies to drive quality and improved outcomes in each.

Potential Moderator: Heather Howard

Speakers:

- *MaryAnne Lindeblad, Washington State*
- *Patrick Tigue, Rhode Island*
- *Stephanie Muth, Texas*

Breakout Four

State and Federal Innovations to Identify and Address Program Integrity

Medicaid Directors from two states and a senior leader from the Center for Program Integrity at CMCS will discuss how states and the federal government are partnering to identify and address inappropriate or unnecessary spending in the health care system.

Moderator: Andrea Maresca, Thorn Run Partners

Speakers:

- *Clint Eisenhower, Center for Program Integrity*
- *Tom Betlach, Arizona*
- *Dale Carr, Missouri*

5:30 – 7:00 pm

Evening Reception Sponsored by **Anthem, Inc.**

Wednesday, November 14

7:00 am – 1:00 pm

Registration Desk Open

7:00 am – 10:30 am

Exhibit Hall Open

7:00 am – 8:00 am

Early Bird Coffee in the Exhibit Hall

8:00 – 9:00 am

Medicaid Directors-Only Breakfast with Alumni

8:00 – 9:00 am

All Attendee Breakfast Sponsored by **DentaQuest**

9:00 – 9:45 am

TBD Plenary Session

9:45 – 10:30 am

Visit Exhibit Hall

10:30 – 11:45 am

CONCURRENT BREAKOUTS

Breakout One

The State of Medicaid Quality Measurement

As the push for value continues, Medicaid leaders are focused on understanding and improving the quality of care the program delivers to beneficiaries. This session will look at the state of quality measurement in the health care system and in the Medicaid program. It will explore how quality measurement at the federal, state, and provider level is and can continue to drive improved outcomes and ensure Medicaid is purchasing value.

Moderator: Gretchen Hammer

Speakers:

- *Deidre Gifford, CMCS*
- *Summer Kirby, CEO, Compass Community Health Center*

- *More to be announced*

Breakout Two

Serving Individuals with Disabilities: Past, Present, and Future

Nearly 20 years after the *Olmstead* decision, the landscape of health care for those with disabilities has drastically changed. Choice and community integration are at the center of Medicaid long-term services and supports. This panel will explore where we've come from, the current landscape of care delivery for those with disabilities, and the opportunities that remain to deliver better outcomes for beneficiaries in the next two decades.

Moderator: Barb Edwards

Speakers:

- *Julie Beckett*
- *Steve Groff, Delaware*
- *Kate McEvoy, Connecticut*

Breakout Three

Duals Integration Across the Spectrum

The past year has seen significant developments for dually-eligible Medicare-Medicaid beneficiaries and the states who serve them. In this session, we will explore these changes, how they are being communicated to impact integration on the ground, and the opportunities they afford for state integration work.

Moderator:

TBD

Speakers:

- *Matt Wimmer, Idaho*
- *Michelle Herman Soper, Center for Health Care Strategies and Integrated Care Resource Center*
- *More to be announced*

Breakout Four

The Future of Behavioral Health Integration in the Medicaid Program

This session will examine the landscape of behavioral health integration in the Medicaid program, and opportunities to scale up and spread these efforts across the health care delivery system, including across payers. Participants will discuss barriers to widespread integration of physical and behavioral health services and strategies to address those barriers.

Moderator: Deborah Bachrach, Manatt

Speakers:

- *Nancy Smith-Leslie, New Mexico*
- *Wayne Lindstrom, New Mexico*
- *Blake Fulenwider, Georgia*
- *Brian Hepburn, NASHMPD*

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 pm

Medicaid and Health Care Post-Midterm Elections

One week after the 2018 mid-term elections, this moderated closing plenary will be a conversation on the outcome of the elections, its potential impact on Medicaid, CHIP, and the insurance exchanges, and on the health care industry in general.

Moderator: Rodney Whitlock

Speakers:

- *Margot Sanger Katz, New York Times*
- *Stephanie Armour, Wall Street Journal*
- *Kimberly Leonard, Washington Examiner*
- *More to be announced*