

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022

9:00 AM - 9:20 AM | PLENARY SESSION

Opening Remarks

International Ballroom Center, Concourse Level

NAMD leadership frames the content, context, and conversation that they hope will unfold during the conference.

Join us in welcoming a new Executive Director to NAMD.

SPEAKERS: **Dianne Hasselman**, Interim Executive Director, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD)

Allison Taylor, Medicaid Director, Indiana Family & Social Services Administration; Board President, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD)

Kate McEvoy, Incoming Executive Director, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD)

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Improving Health Equity, Opportunity, and Care for Black Men and Boys

International Ballroom Center, Concourse Level

The Confess Project of America is an inspiring model of how to bring the mental health conversation closer to where people live, through trusted community partners. Confess is a mental health barbershop movement that is turning barbers into mental health advocates. A facilitated discussion will explore ways to: center on Black men and boys, address long-standing health inequities, and leverage Medicaid's outsized role in covering behavioral health services.

MODERATOR: **Lynnette Rhodes**, Executive Director, Medical Assistance Plans, Georgia Department of Community Health

SPEAKER: **Lorenzo Lewis**, Chief Visionary, The Confess Project of America

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | BREAKOUT SESSION

Strong and Stable Families | Building Bridges in Maternal Health Care

International Ballroom West, Concourse Level

Learn how Medicaid is breaking down silos to better support maternal health in the first session of the Strong and Stable Families Track. This panel will include perspectives from doulas, Title V leaders, and Medicaid leaders about their partnership efforts.

MODERATOR: **Sarah Fertig**, State Medicaid Director, Division of HealthCare Finance, Kansas Department of Health & Environment

SPEAKERS:

Rene Mollow, Deputy Director, Health Care Benefits & Eligibility, California Department of Health Care Services

Terrance Moore, Chief Executive Officer, Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs

Sayida Peprah-Wilson, PsyD, Executive Director, Diversity Uplifts, Inc.; Member, California Doula Stakeholder Workgroup Community Communications Advisory Team

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11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | BREAKOUT SESSION

System Linkages | Multi-Payer Reform: A Pipedream or Reality?

International Ballroom East, Concourse Level

Multipayer reform is key to moving the U.S. health care system from volume to value. But multipayer initiatives have been difficult to operationalize and slow to take hold. This panel discussion will explore the state of multipayer reform and Medicaid's role in it, and what it will take to make this ambitious goal a reality across the country.

MODERATOR: **Heather Howard**, Director, State Health & Value Strategies

SPEAKERS: **Michelle Probert**, Director, Office of MaineCare Services, Maine Department of Health & Human Services

Jeff Sanford, Vice President of Finance, Northern Light Beacon Health

Robert Saunders, PhD, Senior Research Director, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | BREAKOUT SESSION

Market Analysis: What Forces Are Impacting Medicaid?

Georgetown, Concourse Level

Look beyond state Medicaid policy and operational details to see what market drivers are impacting current decision-making and future forecasting. An expert panel interprets labor and economic forces significant to state budgeting, workforce, and health care sector spending. The panel will surface questions state agencies should consider and plan for.

MODERATOR: **Caprice Knapp, PhD**, Principal, Health Management Associates; Former Medicaid Director, North Dakota

SPEAKERS: **Jeanne Batalova, PhD**, Senior Policy Analyst, Migration Policy Institute

Robert Stewart, Principal Analyst, Congressional Budget Office

Dan White, Senior Director of Economic Research, Moody's Analytics

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | BREAKOUT SESSION

Prescription Drug Spending: What's Coming Next and How Can States Prepare?

Lincoln, Concourse Level

Medicaid spending on prescription drugs is expected to grow over the next decade, as new high-cost drugs enter the market. What trends in drug spending should Medicaid leaders expect over the next few decades? How can Medicaid leaders prepare for these new realities, within the parameters of the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program? And how might Medicare drug negotiations impact the broader market? Join Medicaid Directors and academic experts to learn more about the future of prescription drug spending and state strategies for controlling prescription drug costs.

MODERATOR: **Linda Wiant**, Vice President of Client Relations, Verida, Inc.; Former Medicaid Director, Georgia

SPEAKERS: **Amir Bassiri**, Medicaid Director, Deputy Commissioner, New York State Department of Health

Mariana Socal, MD, PhD, Associate Scientist, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Jennifer Strohecker, PharmD, Director, Division of Integrated Healthcare, Utah Department of Health & Human Services

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1:15 PM - 2:15 PM | PLENARY SESSION

What the Health? Health Journalists Look Past Pandemic

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What the health is going on? We've got questions. Julie Rovner convenes a panel of leading health reporters from the New York Times, Wall Street Journal and Kaiser Health News to discuss federal health policy and how it reverberates across the states. Their discussion will help discern trends in health care post mid-terms and post-pandemic with a particular eye to impacts on the Medicaid program.

MODERATORS: **Heidi Capriotti**, Public Information Officer, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)
Julie Rovner, Chief Washington Correspondent, Kaiser Health News

SPEAKERS: **Stephanie Armour**, Senior Health Policy Reporter, The Wall Street Journal
Sarah Kliff, Investigative Reporter, The New York Times
Rachana Pradhan, Correspondent, Kaiser Health News

2:45 PM - 3:45 PM | BREAKOUT SESSION

Strong and Stable Families | An Exploration on Medicaid's Levers to Support Parents and Children

International Ballroom West, Concourse Level

Parents are among the most important people in a child's life, and the well-being of parents greatly influences a child's health outcomes. Covering more than one in three children, this session will explore Medicaid's unique role in supporting parents and children and setting them on a path for lifelong health and wellbeing.

MODERATOR: **Gretchen Hammer**, Founder, Public Leadership Group; Former Medicaid Director, Colorado

SPEAKERS: **Kelly Crosbie**, Chief Quality Officer, North Carolina Medicaid
Sandy Kick, Director, Office of Medical Benefits Management, Maryland Department of Health & Mental Hygiene

2:45 PM - 3:45 PM | BREAKOUT SESSION

System Linkages | Advancing Health Through Housing

Georgetown, Concourse Level

Medicaid is leading the nation's charge to bridge health and housing. This session will explore the federal, state, and community vision for cross-system collaboration. It will elevate operational insights and lessons learned from the work to date.

MODERATOR: **Shannon McMahon**, Executive Director of Medicaid Policy, Kaiser Permanente

SPEAKERS: **Elizabeth Adkins**, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Aging & Adult Services, Louisiana Department of Health

Judith Cash, Director of CMS State Demonstrations Group, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
Christy Respress, Executive Director, Pathways to Housing DC

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Medicaid Essentials | The Engine of the Program

Lincoln, Concourse Level

Medicaid is 56 different programs functioning under a set of federal guidelines. Program variability from state to state is an expression of priorities and realities. This session will make sense of the landscape of administrative structures, provider payment, financing and contextualize those variations. Beyond a “101” get insight to the program’s current state of pay and where it may be headed.

MODERATOR: **Lauren Moran**, Associate Director, Leadership & Capacity Building, Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS)

SPEAKERS: **Moira Forbes**, Principal Policy Director, Medicaid & CHIP Payment & Access Commission
Hannah Maniates, Policy Analyst, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD)

4:00 PM - 4:20 PM | PLENARY SESSION

What's on Tap from CMCS

International Ballroom Center, Concourse Level

CMCS Director Dan Tsai will outline the activities and initiatives to expect for Medicaid and CHIP over the next year.

SPEAKER: **Daniel Tsai**, Deputy Administrator, Center Director, Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services (CMCS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

4:20 PM - 5:00 PM | PLENARY SESSION

Meaningful Partnerships: What We Know, and Wish We Knew

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The state-federal partnership is critical to a strong Medicaid program and necessary to execute on shared priorities. What does it take to make this partnership work? How has it evolved over the years - and what will it look like going forward? CMCS Director Dan Tsai will join his former Medicaid Director peers to explore these questions in this conversation.

MODERATOR: **Jack Rollins**, Director of Federal Policy, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD)

SPEAKERS: **Daniel Tsai**, Deputy Administrator, Center Director, Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services (CMCS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

Judy Mohr Peterson, PhD, Division Administrator, Med-QUEST, Hawai'i State Department of Human Services
Tom Wallace, Deputy Secretary for Medicaid, Florida Agency for Health Care Administration

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Preview Panel: State Priorities Working with CMS

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Learn what Medicaid leaders are looking for from CMS heading into 2023.

SPEAKERS: **Jennifer Langer Jacobs**, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Medical Assistance & Health Services, New Jersey Department of Human Services

Jami Snyder, Director, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)

Gui Woolston, PhD, Medicaid Director, Connecticut Department of Social Services

9:40 AM - 10:00 AM | PLENARY SESSION

CMS' Priorities for 2023: A Message from the Administrator

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CMS Administrator Chiquita Brooks-LaSure will highlight the direction of the agency for the coming year.

MODERATOR: **Jami Snyder**, Director, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)

SPEAKER: **Chiquita Brooks-LaSure**, Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM | BREAKOUT SESSION

Strong and Stable Families | Rethinking Teen and Adolescent Behavioral Health

International Ballroom West, Concourse Level

Over the past year, we have seen numerous headlines on the teen and adolescent mental health crisis. How did we get here and where can Medicaid make an impact? Join the last session of the Strong and Stable Families Track for three expert perspectives on the biggest issues facing teen and adolescent mental health and what we can do about it.

MODERATOR: **Benjamin Miller, PsyD**, Psychologist

SPEAKERS: **Cristen Bates**, Deputy Medicaid Director, Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing, Medicaid & Child Health Plan (CHP+)

Rhonda Boyd, PhD, Associate Professor, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)

Alyssa Ward, PhD, Behavioral Health Clinical Director, Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services

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System Linkages | Breaking Data Silos: A Case Study in Organizational Partnership

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The COVID-19 pandemic revealed many gaps in our health care system, including longstanding silos in health care data. This session will feature an in-depth interview with Medicaid and Health Information Exchange leaders from Arizona who will share their journey to build a stronger and more successful partnership and how this is impacting the health of Medicaid members in the state.

MODERATOR: **Sarah Aker**, Medicaid Director, South Dakota Department of Social Services

SPEAKERS: **Melissa Kotrys**, Chief Executive Officer, Contexture

Jami Snyder, Director, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM | BREAKOUT SESSION

Insights from Congress

Georgetown, Concourse Level

Hear what's on the minds of Medicaid staff on the House Energy and Commerce Committee and the Senate Finance Committee as we close out the 117th Congress.

MODERATOR: **Catherine Finley**, Partner, Thorn Run Partners

SPEAKERS: **Elizabeth Dervan**, Health Counsel, Senate Committee on Finance, U.S. Senate

Seth Gold, Professional Staff Member, House Energy & Commerce Committee, Minority

Stuart Portman, Senior Health Policy Advisor, Senate Committee on Finance, U.S. Senate

Rick Van Buren, Senior Health Counsel, House Energy & Commerce Committee

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM | BREAKOUT SESSION

Medicaid Essentials | Focus on Populations

Lincoln, Concourse Level

Medicaid plays an outsized role in providing health coverage and related services for low-income and high-need Americans. The program supports populations with a great breadth and intensity of needs, at a historic volume. This session delves into two high-priority and unique populations – Tribal communities and dually eligible seniors. See how Medicaid adapts and meets challenges to promote access and quality among these populations.

MODERATOR: **Mark Larson**, Senior Vice President, Leadership & Capacity Building, Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS); Former Medicaid Director, Vermont

SPEAKERS: **Tom Betlach**, Partner, Speire Healthcare Strategies; Former Medicaid Director, Arizona

Juliet Charron, Division Administrator for Medicaid, Idaho Department of Health & Welfare

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Healing: Building a Better System for Mental Health

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Medicaid is the largest payer of behavioral health services in the nation. In spite of high costs, outcomes for people with serious mental illness remain dire with high rates of incarceration, homelessness, and medical morbidity. Dr. Insel brings expertise in psychiatry, policy, and technology to suggest how we can better meet the needs of people with serious mental illness. This talk will suggest that we need to shift towards a goal of recovery, by focusing on the “three Ps” – people, place, and purpose. Healing requires that the three Ps become part of health care, supported by both public and private insurance. A limited number of copies of Dr. Insel’s book, *Healing: Our Path from Mental Illness to Mental Health*, will be made available for both in-person and virtual conference attendees.

MODERATORS: **Dianne Hasselman**, Interim Executive Director, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD)
Jaime Diaz-Granados, PhD, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, American Psychological Association

SPEAKER: **Thomas Insel, MD**, Co-Founder & Executive Chair, Vanna Health