

OREGON HEALTH PLAN AND THE SAFETY NET:

RETREAT, REFORM, OR RESTRUCTURE?



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***HOW CAN OREGON LEVERAGE STATE AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO
PROVIDE BETTER CARE FOR LOW INCOME AND UNINSURED OREGONIANS?***

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

CRAIG KENNEDY

Director of Federal Affairs,
National Association of Community
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Craig leads NACHC's legislative advocacy efforts before Congress, including Medicaid, Public Health Service Act authorization matters (including Health Centers, National Health Service Corps, and the Healthy Communities Access Program), health-related funding and other annual budget and appropriations issues. Craig also staffs the NACHC Rural Health Committee.

Craig joined NACHC after working on Capitol Hill and the Oregon State Legislature. He is a graduate of Willamette University in Salem, Oregon with a degree in Computer Science and Mathematics. His work on Capitol Hill included a stint in the Senate Finance Committee, which has jurisdiction over all health, tax and trade issues. He also served as the Senior Legislative Assistant for a member of the House Appropriations Committee, and later as the Legislative Director for a member of the House Rules Committee.

During Craig's five years at NACHC he has successfully guided the REACH Initiative through Congress (calling for a doubling of the health center program by 2006), the program's reauthorization in 2002, and the five largest funding increases in the program's 35-year history.

Craig is a native of Rainier, Oregon.

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FORUM OBJECTIVES

To collaborate with attendees and panelists to develop strategic priorities for legislative and community advocacy in the coming two years.

To "create the table" around which negotiations on the future of the Oregon Health Plan take place and to identify key players and vest them in our process.

To raise the visibility of Community Health Centers; their role in providing access to care and comprehensive services, their patients served and their many contributions to the communities that they serve.

AGENDA

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| 12:00 – 1:00 | Hall Opens for Exhibits |
| 1:00 – 1:10 | Welcome
Angelica Zavala Ruppe and Craig Hostetler
(Foundation for the Advancement of Community Health Care) |
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| 1:15 – 3:00 | Challenges to OHP and the Safety Net
Safety Net
Craig Kennedy, Director of Federal Affairs, National Association of Community Health Centers, Inc.
Oregon Health Plan
Senator Alan Bates, D.O. and Senator Ben Westlund
Table Discussion- Challenges
Table Reports
Moderated by Representative Billy Dalto |
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| 3:00 – 4:45 | Potential Short-term and Long-term Solutions
Panel
Moderator: Bruce Goldberg, newly appointed director of Oregon Department of Human Services
Panelists: Representative Peter Buckley, Representative Dennis Richardson, Ruby Haughton-Pitts (VP, Metropolitan Group), Craig Hostetler (Executive Director, Oregon Primary Care Association), Dick Stenson (President & CEO Tuality Healthcare)
Table Discussion –
Viability, desirability of potential solutions
Table Reports
Moderated by Representative Billy Dalto |
| 4:45 – 5:00 | Wrap Up and Next Steps
Carlos Olivares (Foundation for the Advancement of Community Healthcare) |
| 5:00 – 6:00 | Networking reception and wine tasting |
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FEATURED GUESTS

Craig Hostetler

- *Executive Director, Oregon Primary Care Association (OPCA)*
Craig has worked in hospital management in Minnesota, London, England and Sydney, Australia before working with the safety net in Washington, DC and in Oregon. Craig has a Masters in Healthcare Administrations from the University of Minnesota.

Bruce Goldberg

- *Director, Oregon Department of Human Services*
Since 2003, Dr. Goldberg has held the position of Director of the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research. Prior to state service, Goldberg served as the Medical Director for CareOregon. Before relocating to Oregon in 1992, Dr. Goldberg served in New Mexico as medical director and director of community health services at the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital.

Ruby Haughton-Pitts

- *Executive Vice President, Metropolitan Group*
An advocate of health care access for low-income Americans, Ruby was appointed to a National Institutes of Health Advisory Council during the Clinton administration and served on the Oregon Governor's Racial and Ethnic Health Task Force. She currently serves on the Oregon state treasurer's Private Activity Bond Council, and a number of health care-related committees.

Dick Stenson

- *President & CEO, Tuality HealthCare and Tuality Health Alliance*
Dick Stenson is also a Board member of the Washington County Commission on Children & Families, Chair of the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Oregon Medicaid Advisory Committee, Chair of the Oregon Health Career Center and the Oregon Health Forum.

FEATURED LEGISLATORS



Senator Alan Bates, D.O.

Ashland



Representative Peter Buckley

Ashland



Representative Billy Dalto

Salem



Representative Dennis Richardson

Central Point



Senator Ben Westlund

Bend

FOUNDATION INFORMATION

FOUNDATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE



The Foundation for the Advancement of Community Health Care consists of individuals who are involved in the administration, support and expansion of community health centers in the Northwest.

The goal of the Foundation is to increase awareness of the important role that "Federally Qualified Health Centers" play in the delivery of health care to the underserved, and also to actively support policies and programs which increase access to health care options for Oregonians. Without the availability of primary and preventative care, costly emergency room visits increase, leading to dramatically higher costs for providers, consumers and the government.

The Foundation educates Oregonians about access to health care issues and encourages policymakers and citizens to address the health care crisis.

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