

Issues Surrounding the “Clawback” or State Contributions Towards Medicare Drug Coverage

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Andy Schneider is the founding Principal of Medicaid Policy, LLC, a consulting firm located in Washington, D.C., whose clients include states, providers, and the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. Andy has 30 years of experience with the Medicaid program, over half of which were spent as counsel to the House Subcommittee on Health and the Environment, then chaired by Representative Henry Waxman (D-CA). He is also an Adjunct Professor at the George Washington University's Department of Health Policy.

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Barbara Coulter Edwards has been Deputy Director for the Office of Ohio Health Plans with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services since 1997. She is responsible for the management and oversight of Ohio's \$10 billion Medicaid health plan. Ms. Edwards is also responsible for management of Ohio's Title XXI children's health insurance plan and Ohio's Disability Assistance/Medical plan.

Prior to joining Medicaid as assistant deputy director in 1994, Ms. Edwards was Project Manager of the Medical Cost Containment Council at Nationwide Insurance (1992-1994), and served as Chief of Health Policy at the Ohio Department of Health (1986-1991). She began her career in Michigan as an analyst for the Michigan Insurance Bureau and worked for the Michigan Governor's Council on Jobs and Economic Development.

Ms. Edwards has a Master of Public Policy degree from the University of Michigan's School of Public Policy Studies and a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism from Bowling Green State University.

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Roger Buchanan is the Director of the Division of Information Analysis and Technical Assistance in CMS's Center For Medicaid and State Operations. Roger is currently involved in the MMA implementation process, and has almost 30 years of Regional and Central Office experience in the areas of Medicaid data collection, statistics and systems.

Kathryn Kotula

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Kathryn Kotula is Director of the Health Policy Unit. Prior to joining APHSA, Kotula was the Director of Policy and Research for Virginia's Medicaid Program. She directed the analysis, development, and implementation of all Medicaid policies including managed care, pharmacy, mental health, substance abuse, and maternal and child health. She directed the analysis of state and federal legislation affecting Medicaid and Medicare and monitored state legislation affecting Medicaid policies. She served as the Medicaid Infrastructure Grant Project Director and worked on developing a Medicaid Buy-In program for working people with disabilities. Kotula served as the Director of the State Children's Health Insurance Program and directed the development and implementation of Virginia's SCHIP program.

Barbara Lyons, PhD

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Barbara Lyons is a Vice President of the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation and Deputy Director of the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. A major initiative of the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured serves as a policy institute and forum for analyzing health care coverage and access for the low-income population and assessing options for reform. The Commission strives to bring increased public awareness and expanded analytic effort to the policy debate on health coverage and access for low-income and vulnerable populations.

Dr. Lyons concentrates on issues related to health care coverage, access to care, managed care, and health care financing for Medicaid and low-income populations. She has published numerous articles on health and long-term care financing for the poor and elderly population. Prior to her position with the Kaiser Commission, Dr. Lyons served

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