Speaker Biographies

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**Tricia Neuman** is a Senior Vice President and Director of the Program on Medicare Policy for the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation. She oversees the Foundation’s policy analysis and research pertaining to Medicare, and health coverage and care for aging Americans and people with disabilities. A widely cited Medicare policy expert, Dr. Neuman focuses on topics such as the health and economic security of older adults, the role of Medicare Advantage plans, Medicare and out-of-pocket spending trends, prescription drug costs, payment and delivery system reforms, and policy options to strengthen Medicare for the future. She has authored numerous papers pertaining to Medicare, has been invited several times to present expert testimony before Congressional committees, and has appeared and been quoted as an independent expert by major, national media outlets. Before joining the Foundation in 1995, Dr. Neuman served on the professional staff of the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Health in the U.S. House of Representatives and on the staff of the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging working on health and long-term care issues. Dr. Neuman received a Doctorate of Science degree in health policy and management and a Masters of Science degree in health finance and management from the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. She received her Bachelor’s degree from Wesleyan University.

**Cristina Boccuti**, MA, MPP, is an Associate Director of the Program on Medicare Policy at The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation. She conducts a number of projects as part of the Kaiser Project on Medicare’s Future, a major Foundation initiative focused on producing timely analysis of Medicare reform proposals and on informing the debate about the future of the Medicare program. Prior to joining the Kaiser Family Foundation, Ms. Boccuti was the Director of Policy Coordination for the Bureau of Health Professions at HRSA, an HHS agency focused on improving access to care for underserved populations. Prior to that, she was a Principal Analyst with the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission and held earlier positions at the Urban Institute and the Government Accountability Office. Prior to her career in health policy, Ms. Boccuti was a Speech-language Pathologist treating Medicare and Medicaid patients at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Chicago. Ms. Boccuti earned her MPP from Georgetown University and her MA in Speech-language Pathology from George Washington University.

**Amy Bassano** is the Acting Deputy Administrator for Innovation and Quality & Acting Director of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Prior to assuming this position, Ms. Bassano was the Director of the Patient Care Models Group at CMMI leading CMS’s efforts on bundled payments including the Bundled Payments for Care Improvement (BPCI) Initiative and the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement (CJR) model and the development of physician specialty models such as the Oncology Care Model. In addition, she was responsible for the Home Health Value Based Purchasing Model and the Medicare Care Choices Model. Ms. Bassano also held senior management positions in the Center for Medicare at CMS overseeing Medicare payment policy for a variety of areas including inpatient and outpatient hospitals, physicians, ambulatory surgical centers, clinical laboratories, and Part B drugs. Prior to her tenure at CMS, Ms. Bassano was a Program Examiner at the Office of Management and Budget where she was the lead Medicare analyst on Medicare Part B and D issues. Ms. Bassano has an M.A. in Policy Studies from Johns Hopkins University and a B.A. in history from Tufts University.

**Dr. Farzad Mostashari** is the CEO of Aledade, a start-up he co-founded aimed at helping primary care doctors transform their practices and form accountable care organizations (ACOs). Prior to Aledade, he
was a Visiting Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington DC, where he focused on payment reform and delivery system transformation. He served from 2011-2013 as the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology where he coordinated US efforts to build a health information technology infrastructure for healthcare reform and consumer empowerment. During his tenure at the Office of the National Coordinator, including his two years as Principal Deputy, he led the implementation of the Health IT for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act. He also collaborated with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services on the design and implementation of the “Meaningful Use” Incentive Program, in addition to programs for health information exchange, health IT workforce, research, and privacy and security. Previously, Dr. Mostashari served at the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as Assistant Commissioner for the Primary Care Information Project, where he co-led agile development of population health management functionality within a commercial EHR. Dr. Mostashari also led the NYC Center of Excellence in Public Health Informatics and an Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality-funded project focused on quality measurement at the point of care.

He conducted graduate training at the Harvard School of Public Health and Yale Medical School, served his internal medicine residency at Massachusetts General Hospital, and completed the CDC’s Epidemic Intelligence Service program. He was a lead investigator in the outbreaks of West Nile Virus, and anthrax in New York City, and among the first developers of real-time nationwide electronic disease surveillance systems.

Dr. Mark Miller has held several policy, research, and management positions in health care. He served as Assistant Director of Health and Human Resources (HHR) at the Congressional Budget Office (CBO). Prior to CBO, Dr. Miller was the Deputy Director of Health Plans at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Before CMS, Dr. Miller was the Health Financing Branch Chief at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Prior to joining OMB, Dr. Miller was a Senior Research Associate at the Urban Institute. He received his Ph.D. in Public Policy Analysis from the State University of New York.

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