



MEDICAID SPENDING, ENROLLMENT, AND POLICY TRENDS: A VIEW FROM THE STATES RESULTS FROM A 50-STATE MEDICAID BUDGET SURVEY FOR STATE FISCAL YEARS 2019 AND 2020

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Panelist Biographies

Cindy Beane, MSW, LCSW, is the Commissioner for the West Virginia Bureau for Medical Services. Ms. Beane has over 25 years' experience working with health care in both the public and private sectors. Cindy currently serves as the Chairperson for the National Association of Medicaid Directors, Board of Governance. Commissioner Beane was competitively selected to be a Medicaid Fellow for the National Medicaid Leadership Institute Class of 2018. Under Commissioner Beane, WV was the first state to obtain approval for coverage of Neonatal Abstinence Centers. In addition, her team developed and is administering a Continuum of Care waiver designed to treat substance use disorders among the Medicaid population. Cindy has expanded managed care to include behavioral health and worked with dedicated staff to develop an oversight plan to detect and eliminate fraud, waste, and abuse. Commissioner Beane and her team are currently undertaking efforts to enhance children services for our most vulnerable at-risk children and continues to be committed to administering, promoting, and assuring appropriate, cost conscience strategies to strengthen health care services for the people of West Virginia to improve their quality of life.

Kathy Gifford, is a leading expert on state Medicaid programs. She advises clients on the challenges, opportunities and complexities that arise in a program designed and administered differently in every state. She co-authors the nationally-recognized, annual Medicaid budget survey report for the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. In addition to tracking and analyzing budget and policy trends in state Medicaid programs, Kathy and her co-authors identify emerging issues for policymakers across the country. Kathy works with other public and private sector clients including states, health plans, provider organizations and associations, and patient advocacy groups. Her areas of expertise include program and policy analyses, market research, and procurement. She is a frequent speaker on Medicaid related topics for both public and private audiences including appearances on panels for the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Council of State Governments, and the National Health Policy Forum. Kathy has also testified on Medicaid policy on Capitol Hill. Before joining HMA, Kathy was the director of the Indiana Medicaid program. She helped develop and implement the Indiana Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), which received national recognition for its success in outreach and enrollment. She also chaired the Indiana Prescription Drug Advisory Committee and was responsible for the implementation and ongoing policy development of the Hoosier Rx Program, which provides prescription assistance for low-income seniors. Kathy also served in leadership for the Indiana State Budget Agency with oversight responsibility for a wide range of issues including Medicaid financing, welfare reform, and school formula equalization. Before discovering her passion for public policy, Kathy practiced corporate, securities, and general business law. She holds a JD degree from the Georgetown University Law Center and a bachelor's degree in political science from DePauw University. Kathy is a mom and an avid Colts and Pacers fan.

Elizabeth Hinton, is a Senior Policy Analyst with the Kaiser Family Foundation's Program on Medicaid and the Uninsured, where she focuses primarily on delivery system and payment reform issues. Prior to joining the

Foundation, Ms. Hinton served as a Research Project Coordinator at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Center for Health Services Research and Development in Primary Care. During graduate school, Ms. Hinton served as a Research Assistant at the North Carolina Institute of Medicine. Prior to returning to graduate school, Ms. Hinton was a Senior Associate at ICF International, where she worked on a wide range of projects to assist federal clients on issues involving affordable housing and homelessness. Ms. Hinton received her B.A. from James Madison University and holds a Master of Science in Public Health from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

MaryAnne Lindeblad, brings a broad health care and administrative background to the top position in the Washington State Medicaid program. Lindeblad, has been an active health care professional as well as a leader spanning most aspects of health care including acute care, long-term care, behavioral health care, eldercare and services for people with disabilities. Prior to her appointment as State Medicaid Director, she served for two years as the Assistant Secretary for Aging and Disability Services Administration in the Department of Social and Health Services. Previously, she was Director of the Health Care Services Division of the Medicaid program. Lindeblad held a variety of leadership positions over the years, including Assistant Administrator of the Public Employees Benefits Board. During the 1990s, Lindeblad also worked in the private sector, serving as Director of Operations for Unified Physicians of Washington. In 2010, she was selected for the inaugural class of the Medicaid Leadership Institute. In 2015 she was inducted into the Eastern Washington University Chapter of the Upsilon Phi Delta Society. She currently chairs the executive committee for the National Academy for State Health Policy, previously served on the board of the National Association of Medicaid Directors, and the Olympia Free Clinic. Lindeblad holds a bachelor of science in nursing from Eastern Washington University and a master's in public health from the University of Washington.

Gabe Roberts, is the Tennessee Medicaid ("TennCare") Director and a member of the Board of Directors for the National Association of Medicaid Directors. Prior to his service as the TennCare Director, Gabe served as the Deputy Director/Chief Operating Officer for two and a half years and as the agency's General Counsel for more than three years. Gabe has had the privilege of being part of the team that, among many other accomplishments, has designed and implemented the nation's premier Medicaid value-based purchasing model; the integration of the delivery of long term services and supports to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities into managed care with a focus on job training, job placement, and community integration; and Tennessee's comprehensive strategy to battle the opiate epidemic. Before joining TennCare, Gabe practiced corporate law at the Nashville law firm Sherrard, Roe, Voigt & Harbison where his focus was private equity investment transactions. Prior to law school, Gabe was a CPA with the international accounting firm Ernst & Young. Gabe is active in the Nashville community having served on the Board of Directors for a number of not-for-profits, having represented Nashville at Harvard Business School, and having been named as one of Nashville's Top 40 Under 40. Gabe is a graduate of Vanderbilt University Law School where he was a member of The Vanderbilt Law Review. He also holds an Accountancy Degree and an Economics Degree from the University of Mississippi, is a graduate of the University's Honors College, and is a member of the University's Hall of Fame. Gabe and his wife, Ashleigh, have five children and are active members of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nashville.

Robin Rudowitz, is Vice President at the Kaiser Family Foundation and Co-Director for the Program on Medicaid and the Uninsured, where she focuses on state and federal Medicaid financing issues and Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act. Prior to joining KFF in 2004, Rudowitz was a Senior Manager at The Lewin Group, a health policy and management consulting firm. Rudowitz has worked on budget and health policy issues in different government agencies including the Office of Legislation at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, the Office of the Chief Financial Officer for the District of Columbia, the Congressional Budget Office and the Ways and Means Committee for the New York State Assembly.