
Diabetes: Changing Policy, Shrinking Budgets

June 16 – June 17, 2010
The Brown Hotel
Louisville, Kentucky



Agenda

Wednesday, June 16, 2010

General Session Location: Secretariat B, First Floor

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm **Opening Remarks and Introductions**

Mary Brooks Beatty
President
Women In Government

2:15 pm – 2:45 pm **Review of Task Force Discussion Group Objectives**

- Discuss Top Issue Areas/Priority Questions
 - Articulate Policy Recommendation Process
 - Develop Task Force Mission Statement
 - Task Force Groups:
 - Group 1 Facilitated by Representative Kathy Hawken
 - Group 2 Facilitated by Representative Mary Lou Marzian
 - Group 3 Facilitated by Representative Mary Sue McClurkin
 - Group 4 Facilitated by Senator Nan Orrock
 - Group 5 Facilitated by Representative Kim Rosen
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2:45 pm – 3:55 pm **What If the Trend Continues?**

*Facilitated by: Representative Mary Sue McClurkin
Immediate Past Chair, Women In Government Board of Directors
Alabama State Legislature*

William Rowley, MD
Senior Fellow
Institute for Alternative Futures

According to the American Diabetes Association, diabetes affects the lives of nearly 24 million children and adults in this country and another 57 million with pre-diabetes. The prevalence of and future trends for this disease pose a challenge for policymakers, as it will significantly impact the workforce and state budgets. What can legislators do to increase outreach and awareness and impact the lives of their constituents?

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3:55 pm – 4:00 pm **Summary and Wrap Up**

Mary Brooks Beatty
President
Women In Government

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm **Reception & Dinner**
Location: Gallery Ballroom, 16th Floor

6:30 pm – 6:35 pm **Welcome**

Mary Brooks Beatty
President
Women In Government

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8:00 am – 9:00 am **Breakfast**
Location: Winners Circle, First Floor

General Session Location: Secretariat B, First Floor

9:00 am – 9:10 am **Welcoming Remarks**

Mary Brooks Beatty
President
Women In Government

9:10 am – 10:15 am

What Are the Existing and Emerging Options for Treatment?

*Facilitated by: Representative Kim Rosen
Vice Chair, Women In Government Board of Directors
Maine State Legislature*

William Bestermann Jr., MD

Medical Director, Integrated Health Services
Holston Medical Group

A diverse range of inexpensive, effective treatments, such as insulin, are available now, and other alternatives are in development, but some state policies restrict coverage of all treatments. How can state legislators support access to the full range of treatment options so that patients receive the best available care recommended by their physicians?

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10:15 am – 10:30 am

Morning Break

10:30 am – 12:00 pm

What Are the Long-Term Costs of Diabetes Care and the Impact on State Budgets?

*Facilitated by: Senator Nan Orrock
Member, Women In Government Board of Directors
Georgia State Legislature*

Gary Puckrein, PhD

President & CEO
National Minority Quality Forum

This session will feature the latest data on how people use Medicare, the costs incurred by the state when patients are not provided on-going treatment, and how costs can spike on an annual basis. If patients are not given preventative and maintenance care, and are instead treated for acute and critical complications of diabetes, this will adversely impact a state's budget and planning.

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12:00 pm – 1:00 pm **Networking Lunch**
Location: Gallery Ballroom, 16th Floor

General Session Location: Secretariat B, First Floor

1:00 pm – 2:15 pm **How Can States Address Barriers to Care in Vulnerable Populations?**
*Facilitated by: Representative Kathy Hawken
Member, Women In Government Board of Directors
North Dakota State Legislature*

Kenyatta Lee, MD
Assistant Professor, Family Medicine
University of Florida College of Medicine

Cultural perceptions, family decision-makers and caretakers, health awareness and literacy, and lifestyle all play a vital role in whether patients pursue and obtain a diagnosis and whether they follow the treatment plan prescribed by their physician. For instance, using insulin is a cost-effective way to fully control diabetes and get results needed now, but barriers to acceptance of insulin exist. What can states do to increase awareness and encourage healthy choices in vulnerable populations?

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2:15 pm – 3:45 pm **How Can States Address Barriers to Care in Insurance and Medicare Coverage?**
*Facilitated by: Representative Mary Sue McClurkin
Immediate Past Chair, Women In Government Board of Directors
Alabama State Legislature*

Naomi Senkeeto
Associate Director, Policy and Strategic Alliances
American Diabetes Association

Randi Chapman, JD
Southeast Advocacy Director
American Diabetes Association

Health insurance coverage can pose barriers for the effective use of the medical homes model, since many plans deny reimbursement for same-day treatment at multiple providers. How can states revise their insurance regulations and programs to optimize treatment opportunities? What are the potential impacts of federal healthcare reform?

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Summary of Roundtable Discussion Outcomes

Mary Brooks Beatty
President
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4:00 pm

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