

Future of Hospital Care

How Will We Pay the Bill?

A Hospital Payment Symposium

Friday, July 15, 2005

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8:00 am–8:20 am **REGISTRATION/BREAKFAST**

8:20 am–8:30 am **WELCOME REMARKS**

Speakers:

Chip Kahn, Federation of American Hospitals
Stuart Altman, Council on Health Care Economics and Policy
(Brandeis University)

8:30 am–10:30 am **SESSION ONE: CONTENDING WITH SPENDING**

A data-driven session taking a big picture look at hospital spending in the past and the present, leading to a discussion of how society will contend with health care spending in the distant future. It also includes a comparison of health care to other industries.

Moderator:

Chip Kahn, Federation of American Hospitals

Speakers:

Allen Dobson, The Lewin Group
Uwe Reinhardt, Princeton University
Stuart Altman, Council on Health Care Economics and Policy (Brandeis University)
David Shactman, Council on Health Care Economics and Policy
(Brandeis University)

10:30 am–10:45 am **BREAK**

10:45 am–12:15 pm **SESSION TWO: THE FUTURE OF MEDICARE HOSPITAL PAYMENT**

This session examines Medicare's inpatient hospital prospective payment and DRG systems—what's worked, what hasn't, and what comes next. Speakers will look at topics such as teaching/DSH/rural payments, competition within a system of regulated prices, and pay-for-performance.

Moderator:

Kathy Buto, Johnson & Johnson

Speakers:

William Scanlon, National Health Policy R&D and the National Health Policy Forum
Chip Kahn, Federation of American Hospitals
Tom Ault, Health Policy Alternatives
David Nexon, AdvaMed

Discussant:

Trish Lindler, Hospital Corporation of America

12:15 pm–12:45 pm **LUNCH**

12:45 pm–2:15 pm **SESSION THREE: THE FUTURE OF PRIVATE INSURANCE PAYMENT (GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL)**

What does the future hold for hospital payment from private insurers? Will the dynamics change for traditional employer-sponsor group coverage? How will the Premier Inc. pay-for-performance demonstration project affect private payers? This session also will look at the individual insurance market of the future, the rise of consumerism including the increasing number of HSA policyholders, and how demands for transparency for hospital pricing will affect hospital negotiations with private payers.

Moderator:

John Iglehart, Health Affairs

Speakers:

Christopher Tompkins, Brandeis University
Len Nichols, New America Foundation
Gail Wilensky, Project Hope

Discussant:

Reed Tuckson, UnitedHealth Group

2:15 pm–3:35 pm **SESSION FOUR: ACCOMMODATING SOCIAL GOALS AND GEOGRAPHIC DISPARITIES**

How will societal obligations of hospitals change? Will population shifts aggravate geographical disparities that currently exist? Will government demand more than "safety net" care from hospitals?

Moderator:

Chip Kahn, Federation of American Hospitals

Speakers:

Bruce Vladeck, Ernst & Young

Discussants:

Mark Pauly, University of Pennsylvania
Paul Ginsburg, Center for Studying Health Systems Change
Ron Pollack, Families USA
Allen Dobson, The Lewin Group
Uwe Reinhardt, Princeton University
David Shactman, Council on Health Care Economics and Policy
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3:35 pm–3:45 pm **CLOSING SESSION: WHAT WE'VE LEARNED**

Speakers:

Stuart Altman, Council on Health Care Economics and Policy (Brandeis University)
Chip Kahn, Federation of American Hospitals