



Dialogue on Health Reform: Impacts and Opportunities for King County

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Speaker Biographies and PowerPoint presentations

Marc Avery, MD, Psychiatrist, Medical Director, Valley Cities Counseling & Consultation

Dr. Avery has been medical director at Valley Cities (a community mental health center in South King County) for over 15 years. He has special interest in health care integration, and recently been involved with various aspects of the GAU Mental Health Integration Projects in Washington State. Dr. Avery is an active member of the Washington State Mental Health Workgroup and the King County Psychiatric Medical Directors Committee.

Barbara Flye, Senior Health Policy Advisor, Office of the Insurance Commissioner

Ms. Flye is the Senior Health Policy Advisor for Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler. She joined the OIC team almost 3 years ago with a focus on state based health insurance reform. Currently her job focuses on the implementation of the new federal health care reform law. Barbara brings to the OIC over 18 years experience in community and coalition organizing around a variety of economic justice issues, most notably health care, including serving as Executive Director of Washington Citizen Action (now Washington CAN), and as the Executive Director of the Washington Tax Fairness Coalition.

Charissa Fotinos, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Public-Health—Seattle & King County.

Charissa's responsibilities include clinical oversight of the primary care, family planning and the Health Care for the Homeless Network programs with Public Health. Dr. Fotinos also chairs the Public Health Diversity and Social Justice committee whose focus is in part to provide cultural competency training for the department. She is a family physician who prior to joining Public Health, was a faculty member at the Providence Family Medicine Residency Program

- **Presentation:** [*New Opportunities for Public Health, Workforce and Innovative Pilot Projects under Health Care Reform*](#)

Richard E. Kellogg, Director of Integrated Health Services, WA Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)

Working directly out of the Secretary's Office this position, which he has held since May 1, 2010, Richard advises and works on health and mental health policy with a focus on integration opportunities as well as supervising the state psychiatric hospitals and SCC. Mr. Kellogg was hired as the State of Washington Mental Health Division Director on January 13, 2006. In early 2009 Mr. Kellogg was

named Director of Mental Health Systems for the WA Health Recovery Services Administration and was responsible for systemic mental health policy, interface with medical programs, and the three state psychiatric hospitals.

Richard K Onikuza, PhD., Health Policy Director and WA State IT Coordinator, WA Health Care Authority

As Health Policy Director for HCA, Richard oversees legislation and projects and programs related to Governor Gregoire's health reform efforts including: health technology assessment, prescription drug purchasing, primary care payment reform, consumer centric health record banks and a health insurance exchange for small businesses. He has been designated the State Health Information Technology (HIT) Coordinator as required for receipt of federal stimulus funds in HIT. He is a licensed psychologist and experienced health care executive in the public and private sectors.

- **Presentation:** [Health Reform impacts on Medicaid/HCA](#)

Jonathan Seib, Executive Policy Advisor, Governor's Executive Policy Office

Jonathan was recently asked by Governor Gregoire to coordinate Washington's implementation of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. He joined Governor Gregoire's Executive Policy Office as Health Policy Advisor in January 2007, after serving on the Committee Services staff of the Washington State Senate for 18 years as counsel to the Commerce and Labor Committee, with responsibility in the areas of labor relations and employment standards and counsel and staff coordinator for the Health and Long-Term Care Committee with responsibility for issues related to health care financing, including insurance regulation and public program design.

- **Presentation:** [Health Care Reform: Improving health care "The Washington Way"](#)

David Solet, PhD, Epidemiologist, Assessment, Planning, Development and Evaluation (APDE) Department, Public Health – Seattle & King County

David contributes to community health assessments, including the development and analysis of population-based data on health disparities, health care access, behavioral risks, and health outcomes.

- **Presentation:** [The uninsured in King County: Latest data update](#)

Dorothy Frost Teeter, MHA, Chief of Health Operations, Public Health – Seattle & King County

Since 2002, Dorothy Frost Teeter has served in roles both as Interim Director and Health Officer and as Chief of Health Operations for Public Health - Seattle & King County (PHSKC). In addition to her Public Health leadership roles, Ms. Teeter has worked as a health care senior executive, hospital administrator, consultant, health policy advisor, and speaker on issues relating to financing and improving population health in community based, public health, and health care services delivery settings.

Jeffery Noel Thompson, M.D. MPH, Chief Medical Officer, Washington State Medicaid Program

Dr. Thompson was formerly the Medical Director for the Washington State Health Care Authority, Corporate Medical Director for the Weyerhaeuser Company, and an associate editor at Milliman and Robertson. He is boarded in internal and occupation medicine and holds an Assistant Clinical Professor position at the University of Washington. Dr. Thompson's primary interests involve the application of business and public health strategies that demonstrate improved access, quality, and affordability in health care.

- **Presentation:** [Health Care Reform: It's Complex!](#)

Steven Wish, Director of Public Policy, Washington Association of Community and Migrant Health Centers

Steven brings a unique perspective to WACMHC with his extensive background in Medicaid and FQHC policy. He retired from the Department of Social and Health Services in August 2006. During his final 9 years with the state, he served in executive management at the Washington Department of Social and Health Services Medicaid program. Prior to joining WACMHC in 2008, Steven served as Regional Director for Sea Mar Community Health Centers. Steven was the 2001 recipient of the Children's Alliance Leadership for Children Award.

- **Presentation:** [Community Health Centers and Health Care Reform: Closing the Coverage Gap](#)