

# CIVHC Connect: Caring & Preparing for Serious Illness

February 22, 2019 7:30 am – 3:00 pm

History Colorado Center • 1200 N. Broadway • Denver, CO 80203

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## Agenda

**7:30-8:00 • Networking/Registration (Breakfast sponsored by Vynca Health)**

**8-8:15 • Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- *Hillary Lum, M.D., UC Health*

**8:15-9:15 • Navigating the Legal Side of Serious Illness**

The challenges of serious illness are not limited to health care. There are many legal aspects that patients and loved ones must take into consideration when preparing for the future. This session will walk attendees through the legalities of Advance Care Planning and the different forms used in Colorado and across the nation.

- *Carol Manteuffel, J.D., M.P.H., B.S.N, Husch Blackwell*

**9:15-10:15 • Panel • Guiding Patients and Clients through the Advance Care Planning Conversation**

It is human nature to avoid difficult conversations. However, the conversation surrounding serious illness preparation is one of the most important. The experts on this panel will share insights on how to make these conversations easier for providers, loved ones, patients, and residential staff/social services.

- *Lynn Weitzel, BSN, Tomorrow's Choices*
- *Bridget Darden, MAOM, BSN, RN, Life Care Planning Next/Advance Steps Faculty, Kaiser Permanente*
- *Patti Schreiner, Med, MA, BSN, RN, Life Care Planning First Steps Faculty/Project Manager II, Kaiser Permanente*
- *Sue Felton, MA, Senior Professional Research Assistant, University of Colorado*

**10:15-10:30 • Break**

**10:30-12:00 • The Conversation in Action**

Difficult things are always easier with a game plan. This session will teach attendees how to initiate the Advance Care Planning conversation and gather the facts needed to ensure that patients' treatment wishes are fulfilled. These skills will be put to work right away as the session moves from discussion to role-play and practice.

- *Jean Abbott, M.D. M.H., The Conversation Project in Boulder County*
- *Constance Holden, R.N., M.S.N., The Conversation Project in Boulder County*

**12-12:30 • Lunch**

**12:30-1:00 • Advance Care Planning and Technology: Registries and Portable Information**

Having the conversation and doing the planning will not be useful if the information is not in the right hands at the right time. Recent technology and innovations are creating opportunities for

patients' wishes to be easily accessible when needed. Presenters in this session will discuss the impact of technology on Advance Care Planning and possible solutions to the information gap surrounding patient treatment plans.

- *Ryan Van Wert, M.D., Co-Founder and CEO, Vynca Health*
- *Paul Marola, VP of Data, CORHIO*

**1:15-1:30 • Break**

**1:30-2:00 • The Politics of Advance Care Planning**

Colorado is a national leader in health care and has a robust community dedicated to improving the lives of those with serious illness. This session will highlight recent policy decisions impacting Chronic and Serious Illness across the state.

- *Allie Moore, JD, Assistant Director, Chronic Care Collaborative*

**2:00-3:00 • Bridging the Vulnerable Moments: Current Care Transitions Initiatives in Colorado**

Transitions between care settings can be when patients are most vulnerable. This session will highlight state and local programs designed to protect patients as they move through serious illness.

- *Gae Croft, MS, Sr. Quality Improvement Facilitator, Telligen*
- *Michele Tusi, MS, Director of Post-Acute Care, SCL Health*
- *Devin Miller, Clinical Operations Program Manager, Health First Colorado*
- *Melanie Plaksin, Marketing Director, Dispatch Health*

**3:00 • Closing Remarks**

- *Kari Degerness, MBA, LNHA, Director of Health Care Programs, CIVHC*

**Event Cost: \$40**

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