Memories of the CO APCD

What is your vision for health care in Colorado over the next 10 years and how can the CO APCD help make it happen?



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Michael E Huotari, Stakeholder "I believe that the economic comparison data in the APCD can do more for bringing typical market forces into health care than other strategies, and I hope that vision is fully realized over the next 10 years, keeping health care available and affordable in both pubic and private payor sectors."

Ned Calonge, The Colorado Trust, President and CEO

"Health care needs pricing transparence across ALL types of commercial business--both fully insured and self funded. Without it, we continue to fly partially blind and may be missing important insights from what is not available."

Tom Rennell,
Colorado Hospital Association,
SVP Finance and Analytics

Janet Stout-Pogar, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Regional VP

"I am hoping that the behavioral health and physical health gets melded together better given so many folks have dual

diagnoses when they are faced with chronic diseases. These two key areas of health

care have been apart and separate too

long and we now need to figure out how we can lift up the behavioral health focus to assist with some of the chronic care

craziness."

"Health equity and access for all at a reasonable price. No one left behind and health care is a right for everyone not a privilege for those only employed, on Medicare or Medicaid."

Michael Boyson, Telligen, Program Specialist "A competitive market place where, instead of duplicating services and managing revenue up, purchasers create incentives for hospitals to be evermore efficient and effective."

Robert Smith, CBGH, Executive Director "We need to focus more about social determinants of health and can we inspire people to choose health over disease. Will health care organizations and insurers take up the charge or are we so stuck in the disease model that we will just stay in that comfort zone?"

Karen Zink, Southwest Women's Health, Nurse Practitioner

"I can only hope that the health care costs drop and the cost of insurance is more affordable. We are doing great with access, but the cost of insurance is outrageous. I hope the APCD can play a significant role in improving our mental health data, cost, quality and possibly better compensation for mental health providers. . ."

Laurel Petralia, Regis University, Role Director "More assistance to purchasers (ie. employers) to assist in buying coverage. I'm not sure there is any way to directly empower consumers with data.."

Jay Want,
Peterson Center on Healthcare,
Executive Director

"A healthier Colorado can only be achieved through effective policies and programs. The APCD allows policymakers to hone in on what can make a different. That's a meaningful contribution to this complex field."

Michael Lueck, Colorado Health Institute, President

"My vision is for the CO APCD to become the trusted source for Coloradans seeking high quality healthcare."

Tracey D. Campbell,
BRIDGE Healthcare Partners, LLC,
CEO