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Medicaid in 2008 and Beyond Challenges and Prospects

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UJA-Federation of New York
130 East 59th Street
7th Floor Conference Center
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New York's Medicaid program is a cornerstone of the State's health insurance and health care delivery systems, and a critical component of its annual budget. Covering more than four million people, it accounts for about 30 percent of health care costs and 30 percent of State spending on all government functions.

Given its scale, competing priorities, and complex interactions with other health programs, the challenges are daunting. How can policymakers enroll some one million eligible but uninsured New Yorkers while also containing spending growth? How can long-term care services best be delivered to Medicaid's elderly and disabled beneficiaries, whose acute care is paid for and regulated by Medicare? How can beneficiaries who cycle in and out of Medicaid receive first-rate managed care?

A new federal administration in 2009 will, to a degree, reshape some of Medicaid's constraints and opportunities. But State policymakers will still face the challenge of managing the program against the backdrop of increasing fiscal strains. This conference will examine those challenges, and prospects for reform, from a number of perspectives, beginning with keynote addresses by Deborah Bachrach, Medicaid director and deputy commissioner of the New York State Office of Health Insurance Programs, and James R. Tallon, Jr., United Hospital Fund's president. It continues with panels of experts in the fields of coverage expansion, long-term care, and managed care, and concludes with perspectives from the public sector, presented by New York State Senator Kemp Hannon, New York State Assemblyman Richard Gottfried, and former administrator of the federal Health Care Financing Administration, and nationally renowned health policy expert, Bruce Vladeck.

This Conference Will Address:

- ❖ What are the key issues facing New York's Medicaid program?
- ❖ What does Medicaid reform mean in a context of federal and state budget deficits?
- ❖ What are the prospects for increasing coverage through Medicaid?
- ❖ How is Medicaid managed care succeeding and how can it improve?
- ❖ What does it mean to manage long-term care services effectively, and how should the state pursue that goal?

Who Should Attend?

- ❖ Policymakers
- ❖ Providers
- ❖ Managed Care Plans
- ❖ Consumers and Advocates
- ❖ Policy Analysts
- ❖ Researchers and Academics
- ❖ Consultants

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8:15 Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:45 Welcome

James R. Tallon, Jr.
United Hospital Fund

9:00 Keynote Presentations

The Administration's Medicaid Agenda

Deborah Bachrach, JD
New York State
Department of Health

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James R. Tallon, Jr.

10:00 Break

10:15 Increasing Medicaid Coverage: Thinking Globally, Acting Locally

Moderator:
Joseph Baker, JD
New York State
Governor's Office

Anne Marie Costello, MPH
New York State Department of Health

Melinda J. Dutton, JD
Manatt Health Solutions

Cynthia R. Mann, PhD
Georgetown University

11:30 Strategies for Managing Long-Term Care

Moderator:
Carol Rodat, MA
Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute

Scott C. Amrhein, MPH
Continuing Care Leadership Coalition
Greater New York Hospital Association

Michael Birnbaum, MSc, MPhil
United Hospital Fund

Carol Raphael, MPA
Visiting Nurse Service of New York

12:45 Lunch

1:45 Medicaid Managed Care Reexamined

Moderator:
Kathryn Haslanger, JD
Visiting Nurse Service of New York

Presenter:
Michael Sparer, JD, PhD
Columbia University

Reactors:
Neil S. Calman, MD
Institute for Family Health

Tom Early
HealthPlus

Lisa Sbrana, JD
Legal Aid Society

Robert H. Thompson
Monroe Plan for Medical Care

3:15 Break

3:30 Perspectives from the Public Sector

Moderator:
James R. Tallon, Jr.

The Honorable
Richard N. Gottfried
New York State Assembly

The Honorable
Kemp Hannon
New York State Senate

Bruce C. Vladeck, PhD
Ernst & Young

4:30 Conclusion

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Conference Hours
8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Registration and
Continental Breakfast
8:15 to 8:45 a.m.

Conference Information:
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Registration

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On-line: www.uhfnyc.org (MasterCard/Visa only; see below for American Express)

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Fee: \$75 per person: includes continental breakfast, lunch, coffee breaks, and session materials.

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Agenda