

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Rural Reality: More Coverage, Enough Care?

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ART KAUFMAN currently serves as vice chancellor for community health at the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center. He is also a distinguished professor and former chair of the Department of Family and Community Medicine. He is both a family physician and an internist and worked in the USPHS Indian Health Service in South Dakota and New Mexico before joining the faculty of Family and Community Medicine in 1974. The department has trained a sizeable percentage of New Mexico's primary care workforce, distributed in almost all counties in the state. Dr. Kaufman helped create a set of primary care and public health innovations in education and service including the Primary Care Curriculum, one of the nation's first problem-based, community oriented educational innovations; the UNM Care Program which assigned uninsured patients to primary care medical homes; and the Primary Care Dispatch—a web-based, emergency room located primary care follow-up appointment system that functions 24/7. Other innovations include a statewide, 24/7 nurse advice line for all residents in rural and urban areas; Health Commons, a network of primary care sites which serve as advanced models of patient-centered medical homes including community outreach and public health integration; deploying a cadre of field-based community health workers to manage patients enrolled in Medicaid managed care who are high users of health resources. Another project is the development of Health Extension Rural Offices models across the state linking University resources to priority community health needs. Research outcomes of each of these programs have been published in peer-reviewed journals. Dr. Kaufman received his medical degree from the State University of New York, Brooklyn.

LISA MILLER is a former member of the Maine House of Representatives. She served three terms representing District 52, from 2005 to 2010. Lisa served four years on the Health and Human Services Committee, then two years on the Appropriations Committee. Her legislative bills covered such areas as health care cost containment, rural school district governance, public health and wellness, and improvements in small business regulation. Lisa has worked the past 15 years as senior program officer for a Maine health foundation called The Bingham Program. Prior to that, she operated her own small consulting business for 12 years. She has a strong commitment to small town civic life, having served 24 years as the town health officer, among other local posts and volunteer positions. Lisa has served on numerous nonprofit boards since coming to Maine in 1977. She was the founding board chair of the Maine Center for Economic Policy and a founding board member of the Maine Health Access Foundation. Other Board memberships have included the Maine Health Information Center, the Maine Philanthropy Center, HealthReach Homecare and Hospice, and the Family Planning Association. Lisa has published professional articles in state and national journals on such varying topics as Medicaid, health professions training, and public health approaches to hypertension and heart disease. In 2001 she received the American Lung Association's Roselle Huddleston Award for contributions to improving the public's health. Lisa obtained her undergraduate degree in human biology from Stanford University. She has a graduate degree in public health from the University of Michigan.

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TOM MORRIS has served as the associate administrator for Rural Health Policy within the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) since 2008. In that role, he oversees the administrative and policy activities of the Office of Rural Health Policy (ORHP) and its approximate \$128 million budget. Tom has served in a variety of positions within ORHP including deputy associate administrator, policy coordinator and project officer. In June of 2011, Tom was asked to serve as the HHS Policy Lead for the White House Rural Council, which will coordinate programs across government to encourage public-private partnerships to promote further economic prosperity and quality of life in rural communities nationwide. A 1996 presidential management intern, Tom came to government after a career as a newspaper reporter and editor. He has an undergraduate degree in journalism from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Master's in Public Administration with a concentration in community health from East Carolina University.

KEITH MUELLER, Ph.D., is the Gerhard Hartman Professor and head of the Department of Health Management and Policy, College of Public Health at the University of Iowa. He is also the director of the Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI) Center for Rural Health Policy Analysis. He has served as president of the National Rural Health Association (NRHA) and as a member of the National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services. He also served on the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the Advisory Committee to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. He has published more than 140 scholarly articles and policy papers, and received awards recognizing his research contributions from NRHA, RUPRI, and the University of Nebraska. His PhD is in Political Science from The University of Arizona, and he completed a faculty fellowship with The Johns Hopkins University.

ZANE YATES is a senior director of business development for the Centene Corporation. Prior to joining Centene in 2011, Mr. Yates worked as an attorney in private practice and served three terms in the Missouri House of Representatives representing the 100th District in South St. Louis County. He also served as the assistant floor leader within the Missouri House. In addition, Mr. Yates has worked as a governmental affairs consultant on both state and federal issues and has considerable experience in regulatory, administrative, and governmental law. Mr. Yates graduated from the University of Missouri – Columbia with a bachelor of science degree in Political Science. He received his law degree from the Nova Southeastern University School of Law.