

**Speaker Biographies**  
**“Public Reporting of Quality Outcomes:  
What’s the Best Path Forward?”**

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**Anne-Marie Audet** is vice president for health system quality and efficiency at The Commonwealth Fund. Dr. Audet has worked in the field of health system quality improvement for more than 20 years and brings a deep understanding of the science of quality improvement, as well as an appreciation of the barriers and enablers that come into play when translating knowledge into real-world situations. At the national level, she worked previously in policy analysis at the American College of Physicians. At the state level, she led the implementation of the Medicare Health Care Quality Improvement Program in Massachusetts while working at the Massachusetts Peer Review Organization. More recently, she served as director of the Office for Clinical Effectiveness/Process Improvement at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston, where she was responsible for the development of quality measurement systems, educational programs and institution-wide medication safety initiatives. She was co-editor of "Clinical Crossroads," a series published monthly in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. She was assistant professor in Medicine at Harvard University. She serves on the Massachusetts Medical Society and Alliance Charitable Foundation Board and more recently was appointed to the Institute of Medicine Subcommittee on Quality Improvement Organizations' Evaluation. Dr. Audet holds a B.Sc. degree in cell and molecular biology and an M.D. and M.Sc. in epidemiology from McGill University and an S.M. degree in health policy and management from Harvard University.

**Nancy Foster** is the vice president for quality and patient safety policy at the American Hospital Association. In this role, she is the AHA’s point person for the Hospital Quality Alliance, which is a public-private effort to provide information to consumers on the quality of care in American hospitals. Ms. Foster is the AHA’s representative to the National Quality Forum, is the association’s liaison to the board of the Joint Commission, co-chairs the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Patient Safety Coordination Center Advisory Committee, and represents hospital perspectives at many national meetings. She provides advice to hospitals and public policy makers on opportunities to improve patient safety and quality, including regulatory standards. Prior to joining the AHA, Ms. Foster was the coordinator for quality activities at AHRQ. In this role, she was the principal staff person for the Quality Interagency Coordination Task Force, which brought federal agencies with health care responsibilities together to jointly engage in projects to improve quality and safety. She also led the development of patient safety research agenda for AHRQ and managed a portfolio of quality and safety research grants in excess of \$10 million. She is a graduate of Princeton University and has completed graduate work at Chapman University and Johns Hopkins University. In 2000, she was chosen as an Excellence in Government Leadership Fellow.

**Thomas Scully** is senior counsel in Alston & Bird’s Washington, D.C., office, focusing his practice on health care regulatory and legislative matters, as well advising clients on health policy and strategies for health care delivery. Before joining the firm, Mr. Scully was administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), where he served from 2001 to 2004. At CMS, Mr. Scully was noted for his role in passing Medicare reform

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and Medicare prescription drug benefit legislation, as well as for making the agency more open and accountable to the public. He initiated the first public reporting and disclosure for comparative quality among hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies and dialysis centers. Before joining CMS, Mr. Scully served as president and chief executive officer of the Federation of American Hospitals. He is also a former partner in the Washington, D.C., law firm of Patton Boggs, LLP. Before joining Patton Boggs, he worked at the White House in the first Bush Administration as deputy assistant to the president and counselor to the director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and as associate director of OMB for Human Resources, Veterans and Labor from 1989-92. Mr. Scully serves on the advisory board of the George Bush Presidential Library, Executive Council of the Harvard School of Public Health, and he is a general partner with Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe in New York City. He holds a J.D. degree from Catholic University and a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia.

**David Share** serves as vice president, Value Partnerships, at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. Dr. Share also served for 30 years as founding medical director of The Corner Health Center in Ypsilanti, a community-based health center for teenagers and their children, where he still practices medicine. He serves on the board of directors of the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS), and is the chair of the MSMS Committee on Michigan's Public Health, MSMS Task Force on the Future of Medicine and the Community Wellness working group of the Future of Medicine Task Force. He serves as an executive councilor of the Michigan Antibiotic Resistance Reduction Coalition, and a director of the Washtenaw Health Plan, a county health insurance program for indigent people with no other source of health insurance. Dr. Share serves on the Commission for a High Performance Health System of The Commonwealth Fund and is a Fellow of the American College of Preventive Medicine. He earned his master of public health, medical and bachelor's degrees from the University of Michigan, where he is an adjunct clinical assistant professor in the Departments of Family Medicine and Pediatrics.

**Gerald Shea** is an assistant to the president of the AFL-CIO, a position he has held since 1995. In this role, Mr. Shea leads the federation's work on health care and retirement security. He also oversees relations with outside entities and allied organizations. In his work, Mr. Shea presents the experience, views and concerns of working families on health care and retirement security to a wide range of outside organizations and public audiences. He serves as treasurer of the National Quality Forum and The Joint Commission. He also serves on the boards of "Stand for Quality", focusing on delivery system reform in health care, the Hospital Quality Alliance, the Quality Alliance Steering Committee, the Health Care Consumer-Purchaser Disclosure Project, and the National Advisory Council to the Aligning Forces for Quality program. Mr. Shea was a founding board member of Health Care for America NOW, the Foundation for Accountability (FACCT), and the RxHealthValue Project. He is a past member of the Social Security Advisory Board, the Medicare Prospective Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC) and its predecessor, the Prospective Payment Advisory Commission. Prior to joining the AFL-CIO, Mr. Shea spent 21 years with the Service Employees International Union as an organizer and local union official in Massachusetts and later as a member of SEIU's senior staff in Washington, D.C. He is a graduate of Boston College.