

Speaker Biographies

“Program Integrity: How Much Money Can Combating Health Care Fraud and Abuse Save?”

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Peter Budetti is Deputy Administrator for Program Integrity of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), US Department of Health and Human Services, and Director of the CMS Center for Program Integrity. He has principal responsibility for program integrity policies and operations in the Medicare and Medicaid Programs. Before joining CMS, Dr. Budetti worked in a number of health care positions in government and the private sector. Dr. Budetti’s previous government service includes six years as Counsel, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, U.S. House of Representatives, under the Chairmanship of Congressman Henry A. Waxman. He was also a member of the professional staff, Senate Finance Committee, under the Chairmanship of Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan and was a core legislative drafter for President Bill Clinton's Health Security Act. In his academic life, he founded and directed health policy research centers and held tenured professorships at Northwestern University and The George Washington University, and was a member of the faculty of the Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies, University of California, San Francisco. Immediately before his appointment at CMS in February, 2010, Dr. Budetti had been the Edward E. and Helen T. Bartlett Foundation Professor of Public Health, Department of Health Administration and Policy, College of Public Health, University of Oklahoma, for over six years. During the 2009-2010 academic year he was on sabbatical, working with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners in Washington, D.C., on antifraud initiatives. Dr. Budetti was a member and long-time Chairman of the Board of Directors of Taxpayers Against Fraud (TAF), a nonprofit, public interest organization dedicated to combating fraud against the Federal Government. Dr. Budetti’s medical degree is from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons; law degree from Boalt Hall, University of California, Berkeley; and undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame. A board-certified pediatrician and member of the California Bar (inactive), he was elected to the National Academy of Social Insurance in 1996.

Jim Frogue is a partner and co-founder of FrogueClark. He is a nationally-recognized health policy expert with 15 years of experience in the government, non-profit, and for-profit sectors. His areas of expertise include Medicaid, fraud prevention, and information transparency. Mr. Frogue has served as an expert witness before the House Committee on the Judiciary, Senate Special Committee on Aging, and the House Committee on Energy and Commerce; and before state legislatures in Florida, Georgia, Missouri, Ohio, Texas, Colorado, Kansas, and Alaska. He has given hundreds of speeches in 40 states across the country, including to the Republican Governors Association, the Harvard School of Public Health, the John F. Kennedy School of Government, the Western Governors' Association, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Conference of Western Attorneys General, the Alliance for Health Reform, and the Congressional Health Care Caucus. Mr. Frogue has also appeared on numerous television and radio shows. He edited the book *Stop Paying the Crooks* (CHT Press 2009), and with Newt Gingrich, he co-authored Chapter 16, *Solutions for Stopping Health Care Fraud*, in the 2010 *New York Times* bestseller *To Save America*. Prior to co-founding FrogueClark, Mr. Frogue was the vice president and director of state policy for Newt Gingrich's Center for Health Transformation, where he spent nearly six years. Prior to that, he spent three years as the director of the Health and Human Services Task Force at the American Legislative Exchange Council. He has served three members of Congress, most recently as legislative director for Congresswoman Kay Granger of Texas. He also spent two years as the health care policy analyst at the Heritage Foundation. Jim holds a Master of Philosophy degree from the University of Cambridge and a B.A. with honors from the University of Southern California.

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William A. Hazel Jr., Virginia Secretary of Health and Human Services is an orthopaedic surgeon from northern Virginia. He is a founding member of Commonwealth Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, the group with which he practiced until March 2010. A past president of the Inova Fair Oaks Hospital medical staff, Dr. Hazel also served as chairman of the Inova Health System Medical Affairs Council, which is essentially the elected chief of staff of the five Inova hospitals and the Inova Health System. He was elected to the American Medical Association (AMA) Board of Trustees (BOT) in June 2004. Dr. Hazel's election to the AMA-BOT marked the culmination of 11 years of service as a delegate from Virginia. Dr. Hazel participates in many professional organizations, including the American Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons, American College of Surgeons, American Medical Society, Duke University Davison Club, Fairfax Chamber of Commerce, Fairfax County Medical Society, Mayo Clinic Alumni Association, Medical Society of Virginia, Virginia Medical PAC and the Virginia Orthopaedic Surgery Society. A dedicated member of the medical community, Dr. Hazel volunteered as the physician for Chantilly High School in Chantilly, Va. He worked as assistant orthopaedic surgeon for the Washington Redskins (1988–1995) and as the D.C. United soccer team physician (1995–2005). Dr. Hazel received his BS in civil engineering at Princeton University in 1978. He earned his medical degree at Duke University School of Medicine in 1983 and completed his orthopaedic residency at the Mayo Clinic in 1988.

Doug Porter has been the state Medicaid director since 2001 and director of the Health Care Authority for Washington State since 2010. In his dual roles, Mr. Porter is a key member of the Governor's Health Care Cabinet as it coordinates the state's efforts to implement national health care reform and develops a plan to restructure state government's health care purchasing systems. Mr. Porter previously headed state Medicaid programs in Maine and California, and he holds planning positions with the National Association of State Medicaid Directors. He co-chairs the Mental Health Technical Advisory Group and is the Executive Committee liaison for the Fraud and Abuse Detection Technical Advisory Group. Mr. Porter led the state's effort to implement evidence-based medicine, including a state Preferred Drug List and guidelines for narcotics utilization, a Generics First initiative, prescription patterns for anti-psychotic drugs, and to set standards for the use of mental health and ADHD medications in children. Under his leadership Washington's Medicaid program has been a national leader in program integrity efforts, working with federal audit systems and state provider groups to strengthen the state's audit and post-payment review programs and recover millions in overpayments and fraud. In January 2000, he moved to a consultant's role with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP in Sacramento, CA before coming to Washington to assume his current roles.

Glen Schuster serves as senior vice president and chief technology officer for the Centene Corporation. Centene is a multi-line healthcare enterprise providing high-quality, culturally-sensitive programs and services to uninsured and under-insured individuals. The company also contracts to provide specialty services such as behavioral health, life and health management, managed vision, telehealth, pharmacy benefits management, and medication adherence. Mr. Schuster has extensive experience in developing large, complex solutions in healthcare to improve health outcomes and reduce costs, and drives Centene's technology strategy to provide innovative products. These include applications such as Centene's integrated decision support and healthcare informatics platform and the company's suite of collaborative tools, and more recently leading Centene's effort to support state partners as they implement Health Information Exchange Services. Mr. Schuster has worked in the Information Technology field for approximately 20 years, 15 of which have been spent in the healthcare sector. Prior to joining Centene, Mr. Schuster held a number of executive positions at Accenture, a leading global management consulting and technology services company. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.