




2024 Rural Health and Hospitals Conference

Schedule-at-a-Glance – Updated Jan. 23, 2024

Time Wednesday, March 6	Plenary Session	Trustee Track	Clinical Excellence Track
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	CEO Breakfast Roundtable Networking Breakfast	Trustee Orientation Breakfast	
8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	Welcome Remarks – Jeff Tieman, Colorado Hospital Association Rural Futures Project – Moderator: Kevin Stansbury, Lincoln Health		
9:45 – 10 a.m.	Networking Break		
10 – 10:45 a.m.	Holding Medicare Advantage Plans Accountable – Michelle Millerick, American Hospital Association		
10:45 – 11:30 a.m.	Organizational Values, Culture, and Measurement: Impact on the Bottom Line – Eric Shell, Stroudwater Associates		TBA: Rural Care Quality – Moderator: Amy Lavigne, Vail Health
11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	Networking Lunch		
12:45 – 1:30 p.m.	Advocacy Update – Katherine Mulready, Colorado Hospital Association		
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	CAH and Rural Hospital Financial and Operational Best Practices: A Checklist for Improvement – Eric Shell, Stroudwater Associates	Panel: Hospital Finances 101 – Moderator: Tom Rennell, Colorado Hospital Association	TBA: Physician Compensation in Rural Hospitals
2:30 – 2:45 p.m.	Networking Break		
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.	Maternal Health Walking Breakouts Expanding OB Training for Family Medicine Docs – Blake McLaughin, DO, Banner Health and Mark Deutchman, MD, University of Colorado Understanding Medicaid Payments for L&D – Ryan Westrom, Colorado Hospital Association Expanding Access to Midwifery in Rural Colorado – Jessica Anderson, DNP, Board Chair, CPCQC TBA: Remote Patient Monitoring		

3:45 – 4:30 p.m.	The Difference of Good Data: Using CHA's New Community Dashboards – Tom Rennell and Essey Yirdaw, Colorado Hospital Association	Building Strong and Appropriate Stakeholder Relationships – Todd Linden, Linden Consulting and Jennifer Riley, Memorial Regional Health	Panel: Combating Alcohol Use Disorder in Rural Communities – Moderator: Richard Bottner, Colorado Hospital Association
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Day One Keynote – Antonia Novello, MD, Former U.S. Surgeon General Closing Remarks – Jeff Tieman, Colorado Hospital Association		
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Welcome Reception – Sponsored by Jackson Physician Search 		

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Thursday, March 7		
7 – 8 a.m.	Networking Breakfast	
8:05 – 8:15 a.m.	Welcome Day Two – Jandel Allen-Davis, MD, Board Chair, Colorado Hospital Association	
8:15 – 8:30 a.m.	John Gardner Award Presentation	
8:45 – 9:45 a.m.	Saving Kids in Your Community: Preparing Rural EDs for Pediatric Patients – Kathleen Adelgais, MD, and Nicolena Mitchel, EMS for Children Colorado, Kevin Coleman, DO, and Nichole Feeney, MD, Grand River Health	The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: What it Means To Be a Reliable Board Member – Jandel Allen-Davis, MD, Board Chair, Colorado Hospital Association
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.	Networking Break	
10:15 – 11:15 a.m.	Closing Keynote – Jerry Schemmel, Colorado Rockies Broadcaster and Plane Crash Survivor	
11:15 – 11:30 a.m.	Closing Remarks – Jeff Tieman, Colorado Hospital Association	
11:30 a.m.	Bus leaves for Hospitals on the Hill	

Note: This schedule is tentative and subject to change.