



Weekly Bulletin – January 5, 2024



WHAT'S NEW THIS WEEK?

Health Benefits Conference and Expo (HBCE) in Clearwater Beach, FL – January 29-31

Florida Alliance President and CEO Karen van Caulil will be moderating two sessions at the HBCE on January 31. She will be attending on January 30 and 31 and would like to know if any of our employer members are also attending the conference. **If so and you are interested in meeting for dinner on January 30 or a late lunch on January 31 after the last session**, please email her at Karen@flhealthvalue.org



EMPLOYER MEMBER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, REPORTS, RESOURCES, AND EMPLOYER LEARNING COLLABORATIVES (ELC)

“Best of the Best” is Less Than a Week Away But You Can Still Register!

Thursday, January 11 at the GuideWell Innovation Center, Lake Nona in Orlando

*The event start time has changed slightly. Registration and a light breakfast will start at **8:00AM**. The program runs from 8:30AM - 1:30PM. A boxed lunch will also be served.*

To see the detailed agenda, click [HERE](#).



“Best of the Best” Speakers:



Michael Costello
Florida Power & Light



David Hines
Metro Nashville
Public Schools



Steven Schlange,
MBA, CEBS,
SHRM-CP
Mutual of Omaha



Mark Weinstein, J.D., CPA, MPH
ICUBA



Ali Nathaniel
St. Leo University



Daniel Stein, MD, MBA
Embold Health

If you have not registered for “Best of the Best” yet, please contact Lisa Hain at lisa@flhealthvalue.org or CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER.

MAKE SURE TO USE THE PROMO CODE **EMPLOYER2024 AND CLICK “APPLY” TO HAVE THE REGISTRATION FEE WAIVED.**

Please note: Our event registration platform has recently been upgraded and is going through some “growing pains.” If you have any issues with registration and need assistance, please contact Lisa Hain at lisa@flhealthvalue.org with your name, email address, organization, and title. You may also reach out to Lisa to confirm whether you are registered.

Thank you to Healthcare Advisory Council Member Florida Blue for hosting and to Affiliate Member Pfizer for being our sponsor!



SAVE THE DATE! Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors – a virtual event on Tuesday, March 12, 1:00PM-3:00PM ET

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors is a free event open to all of our members and offers the opportunity to learn about the important work the Florida Alliance is undertaking to improve the quality and value of health care in Florida.

Confirmed speakers for this virtual event include:



Leah Binder, MA, MGA
President and CEO
The Leapfrog Group



Shawn Gremminger, MPP
President and CEO
National Alliance of Healthcare
Purchaser Coalitions

Look for more details coming soon!



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Navigating HR Frontiers: Unveiling the Power of Self-Funded Health Plans, *an Interview with Florida Alliance Board Member Stephanie Koch*



Stephanie Koch

Stephanie Koch, Florida Alliance Board Member and Director of Human Resources at Gulf Marine Repair, recently participated in the **“This is Impact Healthcare”** podcast to share her journey over the past few years during which she played a pivotal role in understanding and transforming employee health benefits plans.

Stephanie has been instrumental in transitioning the employee health plans to a self-funded model at her organization, a move that generated over \$5 million in savings to the company’s bottom line. In this podcast, Stephanie discussed the benefits of self-funded health plans for both companies and employees.

Stephanie’s insights into navigating the intricacies of HR, from mentoring to negotiating, make this a must-listen. To listen to the podcast, click [HERE](#).

Employer Member Benefit: *Complimentary Webinar* – The Growing Price Tag of Obesity Treatment – Tuesday, January 9, 12:00PM ET

Hosted by our Healthcare Advisory Council Member Cleveland Clinic, this session will **explore the value of new weight loss drugs and the full spectrum of obesity treatments**. The panel of experts will provide information on the risks, costs, benefit, and potential return on investment of the various and growing number of treatment options.

Featured speakers:



Ted Zimmer
MODERATOR
Senior Director,
Payment Innovations
Cleveland Clinic



Bartholome Burguera, MD
Chairman, Endocrinology &
Metabolism Institute
Cleveland Clinic



Leslie Heinberg, PhD
Vice Chair, Psychology;
Director, Enterprise
Weight Management
Cleveland Clinic



Bruce Rogen, MD
Chief Medical Officer,
Employee Health Plan
Cleveland Clinic

Raul Rosenthal, MD
Regional Chair, Digestive
Disease & Surgical Institute
Department Chair, Bariatric
& Metabolic Surgery
Cleveland Clinic



Charles Smith, MD
Chief Medical Officer,
North America
AON Health Solutions

Click [HERE](#) to register. For further information, please email employersolutions@ccf.org

Employer Member Benefit: *Complimentary Webinar* – Hospital Cost Tool: Version 3 – Tuesday, January 9, 3:00PM ET



The National Academy for State Health Policy's (NASHP) interactive [Hospital Cost Tool](#) provides insights into hospital expenditures on patient care services, including labor costs over time, and other expenses not related to patient care that affect hospital operating performance. The tool also shows how these costs relate to both the hospital charges (list prices) and the actual prices paid by health plans.

NASHP will host a webinar to provide an overview of the **Hospital Cost Tool Version 3** by highlighting **critical data measures, analyses of information from the tool, and how the tool may be useful in informing state policymaking**. To register for the NASHP webinar, click [HERE](#).