



Blue Ribbon Commission for Health Care Reform

Advisory Task Force Participants

Business Advisory Task Force

Don Kortz-Commissioner Co-Chair, (Metro Denver- Fuller and Associates)

Dave Westerlund –Community Co-Chair- (Metro Denver – EVP-Administration, Ball Corporation)

Dick Allison (Western Slope – Retired insurance and investment executive, board member – Club 20)

Les Berkowitz (Metro Denver – Attorney, active in health policy issues)

Kelly Esselman (Metro Denver – Human Resources Services Group-Mountain States Employers Council)

Laurie Harvey (Metro Denver – Executive Director, Center for Work, Education and Employment)

Jim Hertzell (Metro Denver – Chairman, Alumni Consulting Group Int'l; member, health care committee, Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce)

Steve Krell (Colorado Springs – Vice President, Imaging Systems; member, NFIB and Colorado Consumer Insurance Council)

Tim Marquez (Metro Denver – Owner, The Laughing Bean Cafe)

Diane Schwenke (Western Slope – President, Grand Junction Area Chamber of Commerce)

Dwayne Stephens (Metro Denver – Board Chair, Colorado Sheet Metal Workers' Local 9)

Paul Tate (Metro Denver – Senior VP/CFO, Frontier Airlines)

Gena Trujillo (Boulder – Director, Benefits Administration, University of Colorado)

Nathan Wilkes (Metro Denver – Founder/President, Headstorms, Inc.)

Rural Advisory Task Force

Arnold Salazar-Commissioner Co-Chair (Alamosa-Colorado Health Networks/Colorado Behavioral Health Council)

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Jack Berry, MD (Wray – Physician, board member-Colorado Medical Society and COPIC Insurance, expert on workforce issues)

Sue Birch (Steamboat Springs – Executive Director, Northwest Colorado Visiting Nurse Assn.)

Jan Carroll (Gunnison – Certified Nurse Practitioner, Certified Nurse Midwife)

Ron Davis (La Junta – Executive Director, La Junta Economic Development)

Bern Heath (Durango – CEO, Southwest Colorado Mental Health Center)

Steve Holloway (Denver – director of statewide public health programs, Colorado Dept. of Public Health & Environment)

Steve Hurd (Grand Junction – Executive Director, Marillac Clinic)

Russ Johnson (Alamosa – CEO, San Luis Valley Regional Medical Center)

Cindy Lau (Pueblo – Executive Director, Step Up oral health program for Medicaid recipients)

Kristy Reuss (Grand Junction – Professor, Mesa State College School of Nursing)

Steve Reynolds (Glenwood Springs – small business owner)

Ricardo Velasquez, MD (Alamosa – Medical Director, Valley-Wide Health Systems)

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Don Murphy, MD (Metro Denver – Geriatrician)
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James Todd, MD (Metro Denver – Pediatrician, medical home expert)
Karen Tomky, FNP (Ordway – Family Nurse Practitioner)
Jay Want, MD (Metro Denver – President and CEO, Physician Health Partners)
Barbara Zind, MD (Grand Junction – Pediatrician)

Vulnerable Populations Advisory Task Force

Christy Blakely- Commissioner Co-Chair (Metro Denver, Director, Family Voices of Colorado)
Mark Simon-Commissioner Co-Chair (Metro Denver, Disability Advocate)
Irene Aguilar, MD- Community Co-Chair (Metro Denver – Colorado Developmental Disabilities Council, consumer)

Jan Bach (Metro Denver – Adams County Community Development Advisory Board, consumer/parent-children’s mental health)
Kraig Burleson (Metro Denver – CEO, Inner City Health Center)
Mitch Garcia (Alamosa – Director, Farmworker Services, Valley-Wide Health System)
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Frank Kim (Metro Denver – CEO, Asia-Pacific Development Center)
Njeri Kingangi (Metro Denver – Client Advocate, Brother Jeff’s Community Health Initiative)
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Carol Meredith (Metro Denver – Executive Director, ARC, parent/consumer-children’s mental health)
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