

Midwest Multi-State Managed Care Symposium

Aug. 3-4, 2026

Hyatt Place Kansas City/Lenexa City Center
Lenexa, KS



Agenda

Monday, Aug. 3

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| 12:30 pm | Welcome & Introductions |
| 12:45 pm | Opening Topic:
From Adversarial to Strategic: Redefining Hospital-Payer Relationships
<i>Shawn Stack, Forvis Mazars</i> |
| 1:45 pm | Navigating Medicaid: Policy Shifts and Reimbursement Realities
<i>Steve Perlin, LS Point</i> |
| 2:30 pm | Break |
| 2:45 pm | Payer Contracting – A Success Story Panel/Presentation
<i>Ericka Beeler, Beeler Consulting, LLC</i> |
| 3:30 pm | Who's Making the Grade? A Look at Payer Performance
<i>Travis Gentry, Hyve Health</i>
<i>Kellie Hooper, Hyve Health</i> |
| 4:15 pm | Hospitals vs Health Plans: Where the Legal Battles are Headed
<i>Christopher Kenny, King & Spalding Law</i>
<i>Jim Boswell, King & Spalding Law</i> |
| 5:00 pm | Cocktail Reception |
| 6:00 pm | Dinner (on your own or with your state attendees) |

Tuesday, Aug. 4

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| 7:30 am | Breakfast |
| 8:15 am | Welcome, Day 1 Recap |

8:30 am	Medicare Advantage Updates: What Hospitals Need to Know <i>Bob Paskowski, PYA</i> <i>Kathy Reep, PYA</i>
9:30 am	Payer Provider Collaboration: Surviving the Revenue Cycle AI Arms Race <i>Chris O'Dell, Turquoise Health</i>
10:15 am	Break
10:30 am	Out of Network Planning- Leveraging Your Clinical Teams to Communicate Continuity of Care <i>Michael Hildebrand, Jarrard</i> <i>Teresa Hicks, Jarrard</i>
11:30 am	Lunch
12:30 pm	Cutting Out the Middleman? The Future of Direct Employer Healthcare Contracts <i>Jeff Andersen, Centrus Health</i>
1:30 pm	Panel Discussion-The Employer Perspective: The Next Frontier in Hospital Partnerships - facilitated by Jeff Andersen <i>Walmart Human Resources, Little Rock, AR</i> <i>Garmin Industries Employee Benefits, Olathe, KS</i> <i>Kan Equip Ag Sales Human Resources, Wamego, KS</i> <i>KC School District, Overland Park, KS</i>
2:30 pm	Break
2:45 pm	Attendee Roundtable Discussion
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