Karen Shore is president and CEO of the Center for Health Improvement (CHI) and has 20 years of experience in health policy and health services research. Among her projects at CHI, she leads the California Health Policy Forum, which provides an independent platform for education, idea sharing, and conversations among legislative and executive branch staff on health policy issues. She previously directed a project supporting 24 communities across the U.S. working to improve health care quality and manage costs.

Prior to joining CHI, Dr. Shore was a principal research scientist with the American Institutes for Research’s Health Program, a consultant at Reden & Anders, a senior project manager at the Pacific Business Group on Health, and a health policy analyst for the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission in Washington, DC. Dr. Shore has a master’s degree in health services administration from the University of Michigan and a PhD in health services and policy analysis from UC Berkeley.

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POLL #1

Which category below BEST describes the type of organization you work for?

a. Health Care Facility  
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d. Government (Federal, State, County or other Local)  
e. Academic/Policy Research  
f. Other
Mary Pittman, Dr PH
President & CEO
Public Health Institute

Mary A. Pittman, DrPH, is chief executive officer and president of the Public Health Institute (PHI) in Oakland, California. A nationally recognized leader in improving community health, addressing health inequities among vulnerable people and promoting quality of care, Pittman became in 2008 PHI’s second CEO and president since its founding in 1964. She has guided the development of a strategic plan that builds on existing PHI program strengths to achieve greater impact on public policy and practice in public health both in the U.S. and globally. She received her doctorate from the University of California, Berkeley, and master’s degrees from UC Berkeley in public health and city and regional planning.

Agenda

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- Measuring the Impact of the ACA on Safety Net Hospitals [Melissa Stafford Jones]
- The Potential to Use OSHPD Data to Measure the Impacts of the ACA [Lucien Wulsin]
- Speaker Panel Discussion [Mary Pittman]
Robert P. David was appointed by Governor Brown as director of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) on April 13, 2012. Prior to his appointment to OSHPD, David was an executive for the American Hospital Association where he worked on state and federal issues impacting the industry. From 2005 to 2010, David served as the Chief Deputy Director for OSHPD, and before that, he was the Regional Vice President at the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California for six years. Other state government experience includes serving as Assistant Secretary at the Health and Welfare Agency and as Senior Negotiator at the California Medical Assistance Commission.

From 1999 to 2003 David served as a member of the State Emergency Medical Services Commission and is a former member of the San Joaquin County Health Commission. He was selected as a Sierra Health Foundation Health Leadership Fellow in 2002, and completed the Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government at Harvard University in 2006.

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How familiar are you with OSHPD health care facility data?:

a. I have downloaded/ordered an OSHPD dataset and conducted my own analysis
b. I have obtained a special data run from OSHPD
c. I have accessed data on the OSHPD website
d. I have heard of OSHPD data, but never used it
e. I haven’t heard of it until today
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Ty Christensen
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Ty Christensen oversees the three units of the Accounting and Reporting Systems Section of OSHPD: the Hospital Financial Data Unit, which collects and audits various hospital financial disclosure reports, the Long-Term Care Facility Financial Data Unit, which collects and audits annual LTC financial disclosure reports, and the Licensed Services Data Unit, which collects and reviews over 5,000 utilization reports from hospitals, long-term care facilities, clinics, hospices, and home health agencies.

Ty began his career as an auditor in the Hospital Financial Data Unit in 1988. After a brief stint working for a non-profit, Ty returned to OSHPD as an auditor, and later supervisor in the Long-Term Care Facility Financial Data Unit.

Ty has a bachelor’s degree in Accountancy from the California State University, Sacramento, and enjoys hikes with his wife and two daughters.

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POLL #3

What do you think will be the MOST likely immediate impact of the ACA on the financial profile of safety net hospitals?:

a. It will improve because there will be fewer uninsured patients and more revenue
b. No change; many of those eligible for insurance will not enroll
c. It will get worse because newly insured patients will go elsewhere leaving a greater proportion of uninsured at safety net hospitals
d. It will get worse because revenue from newly insured patients will not be enough to offset the loss of disproportionate share subsidies
e. I’m not sure
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As President & CEO of CAPH, Melissa most recently led the association’s work to develop and negotiate with the state and federal governments the 2010 California Medicaid Waiver. This $10 billion waiver provides a pathway toward reform for California’s public hospital systems that includes program and financing for coverage expansion and delivery system transformation. Prior to her appointment as President & CEO in December 2005, Melissa led CAPH’s state and federal legislative program for six years as Vice President and Director of Policy. Before joining CAPH in 2000, Melissa was Regional Vice President with the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California. Melissa holds a Masters degree in Public Health from the University of California at Berkeley and a Bachelors of Science in Biology from Saint Mary’s College of California.
POLL #4

What do you think will be the MOST likely impact of the ACA on the utilization pattern of indigent patients?:

a. It will improve as Medi-Cal transitions many newly insured patients into medical homes
b. No change; patients will continue to seek or not seek care as they have in the past regardless of the availability of insurance
c. It will get worse because even more patients will rely on emergency rooms for their primary care
d. I’m not sure
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Lucien Wulsin, Jr.
Executive Director and Founder
Insure the Uninsured Project

Lucien Wulsin is the Executive Director of Insure The Uninsured Project and is working on approaches to implement coverage for uninsured Californians throughout California. He is the author of *California at the Crossroads: Choices for Health Care Reform*, a study on California’s options to redesign its health care system. He has partnered with numerous health care organizations throughout California on efforts to increase funding, care and coverage for the uninsured. Mr. Wulsin served as chief consultant to the Special Committee on Medi-Cal Oversight of the California Assembly, where he worked closely with Assemblyman Burt Margolin on reforms in health coverage. Mr. Wulsin is a member of the bar in California and Massachusetts, a graduate of the University of Virginia Law School and of Trinity College.

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