



Expanding the Role of Nurse Practitioners

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Speaker Biographies

Tillman Farley, MD, is currently the chief medical officer for Salud Family Health Centers, a migrant/community health center with clinics across north and northeast Colorado. Dr. Farley also has a regular full-time appointment as associate professor in the Department of Family Medicine in the University of Colorado School of Medicine. Dr. Farley graduated from the University of Colorado School of Medicine and completed his residency in family medicine at the University of Rochester. He spent three years in private practice in upstate New York and then three years in practice in far west Texas directing two federally qualified rural health centers prior to moving back to Colorado. Dr. Farley's research interests include integrated primary care and health disparities. He lectures widely on integrated primary care, community health, health disparities, racism in health care, and immigrant health. He sits on multiple commissions, advisory committees, and boards of directors.

Elizabeth Holguin, PhD, MPH, MSN, FNP-BC, is the medical director for Community Health and a family nurse practitioner in urgent care at Presbyterian Healthcare Services in New Mexico. She received her PhD at the University of New Mexico, her master's degree in public health from Tulane University, and her MSN from Duke University. She has served in the Peace Corps in Ethiopia; implemented an infection control program in a government hospital in Kenema, Sierra Leone, West Africa; and managed a research program to reduce transport to a level one trauma center and increase access to specialty care with telemedicine. She is an RWJF Nursing & Health Policy Collaborative Fellow and a Jonas Nurse Leader Scholar. Her research interests include increasing access to care, sustainability of care and resources, populations that are vulnerable and marginalized both locally and internationally, and implementation science.

Sandra Shewry, MPH, MSW, is vice president for External Engagement at CHCF, where she leads health policy communications, digital publishing, government relations, and audience engagement functions. The External Engagement team works with colleagues across the foundation to deepen partnerships and collaborations in support of CHCF's vision and goals. Ms. Shewry previously served as CHCF's director of State Health Policy.

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Prior to joining the foundation, Ms. Shewry was president and CEO of the Center for Connected Health Policy, a nonprofit organization working to remove policy barriers to the integration of telehealth technologies into California's health care system. She has held a number of senior leadership positions within California state government, including director of the California Department of Health Care Services, which administers the state Medicaid program (Medi-Cal). Other programs under her leadership included public health, emergency preparedness, and licensing of health facilities. Ms. Shewry also served as the executive director of the California Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board. She received bachelor's degrees in community studies and psychology from the University of California, Santa Cruz, and master's degrees in public health and social welfare from the University of California, Berkeley.

Joanne Spetz, PhD, is a professor at the Institute for Health Policy Studies, Department of Family and Community Medicine, and School of Nursing at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). She also is the associate director for research at the Healthforce Center at UCSF and the director of the UCSF Health Workforce Research Center for Long-Term Care. Her fields of specialty are economics of the health care workforce, shortages and supply of registered nurses, and the substance use disorder treatment workforce. Dr. Spetz is an honorary fellow of the American Academy of Nursing.

Susan S. VanBeuge, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, FAANP, is an associate professor and director of Clinical and Community Partnerships at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) School of Nursing. She teaches in the Family Nurse Practitioner program and Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) programs at UNLV. Dr. VanBeuge has been active in health care policy in Nevada and worked on legislative efforts to modernize advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) regulation in past legislative sessions. Dr. VanBeuge practices in endocrinology and cardiometabolic settings and sees patients with a variety of endocrine and cardiovascular disorders.