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- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Alan Weil ([@alanweil](#)), Editor in Chief, *Health Affairs* ([@Health_Affairs](#))
- 9:10 a.m. **Discussion: Introduction to Oral Health**
Richard Manski, Professor and Chair, Department of Dental Public Health, University of Maryland School of Dentistry ([@UMSOD_Dentistry](#)), Health Affairs Issue Adviser, on *Projections Of Dental Care Utilization Through 2026: Preventive Care To Increase While Treatment Will Decline*
Elizabeth Mertz ([@bethmertz](#)), Associate Professor, Preventive and Restorative Dental Sciences, and Faculty, Healthforce Center, Affiliate Faculty, Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies, School of Dentistry, University of California, San Francisco ([@UCSF_IHPS](#)) on *The Dental-Medical Divide*
- 9:35 a.m. **Cost, Use & Access**
Marko Vujcic, Chief Economist & Vice President, Health Policy Institute, American Dental Association ([@AmerDentalAssn](#)), on *Dental Care Presents The Highest Level Of Financial Barriers Compared To Other Types Of Health Care Services*
Chad D. Meyerhoefer, Associate Professor of Economics, Lehigh University, and Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research ([@nberpubs](#)), on *Projections Of Dental Care Utilization Through 2026: Preventive Care To Increase While Treatment Will Decline*
Joan O'Connell, Associate Professor, Community and Behavioral Health, Centers for American Indian and Alaska Native Health, Colorado School of Public Health at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus ([@ColoradoSPH](#)), on *Costs And Savings Associated With Community Water Fluoridation In The United States*
Susan O. Griffin, Health Economist, Division of Oral Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([@CDCgov](#)), on *School-Based Dental Sealant Programs Prevent Cavities And Are Cost-Effective*
- Q & A**
- 10:20 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. **Medicare, Medicaid & Oral Health**
Amber Willink ([@awillin2](#)), Assistant Scientist of Health Policy and Management and Assistant Director of the Roger C. Lipitz Center for Integrated Health Care at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health ([@JohnsHopkinsSPH](#)), on

Dental Care And Medicare Beneficiaries: Access Gaps, Cost Burdens, And Policy Options

Brandy Lipton (@AHRQNews), Health Economist, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, on *Previous Medicaid Expansion May Have Had Lasting Positive Effects On Oral Health Of Non-Hispanic Black Children*

Jaffer A. Shariff, Research Associate, Division of Behavioral Sciences, Section of Population Oral Health, and Periodontal Resident, Division of Periodontics, Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences, Columbia University College of Dental Medicine (@ColumbiaCDM), on *Medicaid Meets Its Equal Access Requirement For Dental Care, But Oral Health Disparities Remain*

Natalia I. Chalmers (@ChalmersDDSPHD), Director, Analytics and Publication, DentaQuest Institute (@DentaQuest), on *After Medicaid Expansion In Kentucky, Use Of Hospital Emergency Departments For Dental Conditions Increased*

Q & A

11:15 a.m.

Oral Health Workforce

Margaret Langelier, Center for Health Workforce Studies, School of Public Health, State University of New York at Albany (@UAlbanySPH), on *Expanded Scopes Of Practice For Dental Hygienists Associated With Improved Oral Health Outcomes For Adults*

Jane Koppelman (@JKoppelman1), Research Director, Pew Charitable Trusts Dental Campaign Pew Charitable Trusts Dental Campaign (@pewtrusts), on *Expanding Where Dental Therapists Can Practice Could Increase Americans' Access To Cost-Efficient Care*

James Crall, Professor and Chair, Division of Public Health and Community Dentistry, UCLA School of Dentistry (@UCLADentistry), on *Improving The Oral Health Care Capacity Of Federally Qualified Health Centers*

Elizabeth Mertz (@bethmertz), Associate Professor, Preventive and Restorative Dental Sciences, and Faculty, Healthforce Center, Affiliate Faculty, Philip R. Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies, School of Dentistry, University of California, San Francisco (@UCSF_IHPS), on *Underrepresented Minority Dentists: Quantifying Their Numbers And Characterizing The Communities They Serve*

Q & A

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