

**THE COMMONWEALTH FUND  
2016 INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON HEALTH CARE POLICY**

**“Using Big Data to Achieve a High Performance Health Care System”**

**The St. Regis Hotel  
Sixteenth and K Streets, NW  
Washington, D.C.  
November 16-18, 2016**

**FINAL AGENDA**

**Wednesday, November 16**

**6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.**

**Reception in the State Salon**

**7:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

**Dinner in the Astor Ballroom**

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

*Donald B. Moulds, Executive Vice President, The Commonwealth Fund*

**OPENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**“Australian Health Reform: A Strategy for a High Performing and Sustainable Health Care System”**

*Mr. Martin Bowles PSM, Secretary of Health, Australia*

**Thursday, November 17**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

**Continental Breakfast in the Winter Pavilion**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

**Ministers’ Breakfasts with Harkness Fellows in Health Care Policy and Practice**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**

**Welcome and Introductory Remarks**

**Astor Ballroom**

*Alan Weil, Editor-in-Chief, Health Affairs*

**Presentation of the 2016 International Health Policy Survey in 11 Countries**

*Robin Osborn and David Squires, The Commonwealth Fund*

**9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

**Ministers’ Policy Roundtable I:**

**Astor Ballroom**

**Benchmarking Performance: Reflections on the 2016 International Survey Findings**

*Moderator: Alan Weil, Health Affairs*

*Andrew Bindman, Director, U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality*

*The Hon Edith Schippers, Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport, The Netherlands*

*The Hon Lutz Stroppe, State Secretary for Health, Germany*

*The Hon Pascal Strupler, Secretary of State for Health, Switzerland*

*Lord Ara Darzi, Imperial College, United Kingdom*

*Martin Bowles PSM, Secretary of Health, Australia*

*The Hon Lisbeth Marie Normann, State Secretary for Health and Care Services, Norway*

*Agnès Buzyn, President, Haute Autorité de Santé, France*

*Niclas Jacobson, Deputy Director-General, Ministry for Health and Social Affairs, Sweden*

*Chai Chuah, Director-General of Health, New Zealand*

**10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**

**Coffee Break in the State Salon**

**Thursday, November 17 (continued)**

**10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**  
**Astor Ballroom**

**Ministers' Policy Roundtable II:  
Affordability, Access, and Value – Challenges and Opportunities**  
Moderator: *Alan Weil, Health Affairs*

*The Hon Karen B. DeSalvo, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health, United States*  
*The Hon Lutz Stroppe, State Secretary for Health, Germany*  
*The Hon Lisbeth Marie Normann, State Secretary for Health and Care Services, Norway*  
*The Hon Pascal Strupler, Secretary of State for Health, Switzerland*

**Discussion**

**11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**  
**Astor Ballroom**

**Policymakers' Roundtable III:  
Transforming the Health Care Delivery System for Patients with Complex Needs**  
Moderator: *Alan Weil, Health Affairs*

*Hoangmai Pham, Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation, United States*  
*Agnès Buzyn, President, Haute Autorité de Santé, France*  
*Martin Bowles PSM, Secretary of Health, Australia*  
*Chai Chuah, Director-General of Health, New Zealand*  
*Niclas Jacobson, Deputy Director-General, Ministry for Health and Social Affairs, Sweden*

**Discussion**

**12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Private Working Lunch for Health Ministers in the State Salon hosted by  
The Hon Mary Wakefield, Acting Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of  
Health and Human Services**

**12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Lunch in the Winter Pavilion**

**1:30 p. m. – 2:15 p.m.**

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS AND INTERVIEW**  
Moderator: *Alan Weil, Health Affairs*

**“Dutch Health Care Reform: Ensuring Access, Quality and Value”**

*The Honorable Edith Schippers, Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport, The Netherlands*

**2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.**  
**Astor Ballroom**

**Panel I. National Health Policy and Big Data**  
Moderator: *Steven Posnack, U.S. Office of the National Coordinator for Health  
Information Technology*

**Overview: “What is Big Data and Why Should Policymakers Care About It?”**  
*David W. Bates, Brigham and Women’s Hospital and Partners HealthCare*

**“Policy Implications of Big Data in Health”**  
*Effy Vayena, University of Zurich*

**Panel:**

*Joan Dzenowagis, World Health Organization*  
*Paul Tang, IBM Watson Health*  
*Tom Lawry, Microsoft Worldwide Health*  
*Francesca Colombo, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development*  
*Chai Chuah, Director-General of Health, New Zealand*

**Discussion**

**Thursday, November 17 (continued)**

**3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**Coffee Break in the State Salon**

**4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

**Astor Ballroom**

**Panel II. Use of Big Data to Improve Clinical Care**

Moderator: *Aziz Sheikh*, University of Edinburgh

**“Realizing the Promise: Applying Big Data and Advanced Analytics to Improve Clinical Care”**

*Ran Balicer*, Clalit Research Institute (Israel)

**Panel:**

*Gabriel Escobar*, Kaiser Permanente Northern California (United States)

*Yu-Chuan Li*, Taipei Medical University (Taiwan)

*Ain Aaviksoo*, Ministry of Social Affairs (Estonia)

*Andrew Thompson*, Proteus Digital Health (United States)

**Discussion**

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**7:15 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**

**Dinner in the Astor Ballroom**

**John M. Eisenberg, M.D. International Lecture**

**“Looking to a New Value System to Build a Higher Performing Health Care System”**

*Donald M. Berwick, M.D.*

President Emeritus and Senior Fellow

Institute for Healthcare Improvement

*Introduced by Robin Osborn*, The Commonwealth Fund

**Friday, November 18**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

**Continental Breakfast in the Winter Pavilion**

**8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.**

**Astor Ballroom**

**Welcome and Introductory Comments**

*Robin Osborn*, The Commonwealth Fund

**8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**

**A Patient’s (and Researcher’s) Perspective**

*Steven Keating*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (United States)

**9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

**Astor Ballroom**

**Panel III. Innovations in the Pipeline: Using Big Data and Digital Health Technologies to Empower Consumers and Transform Health Care Delivery**

Moderator: *Eric Schneider*, The Commonwealth Fund

**Panel:**

*Bastiaan Bloem*, ParkinsonNet (The Netherlands)

*Sally Okun*, PatientsLikeMe (United States)

*Professor Lord Ara Darzi*, Imperial College (United Kingdom)

*Jonathan Stout*, AbleTo (United States)

**Reactors:**

*Jennifer Dixon*, The Health Foundation (United Kingdom)

*Jose F. Peña*, Rio Grande Valley ACO Health Providers (United States)

**Discussion**

Friday, November 18 (continued)

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Coffee Break in the State Salon**

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
Astor Ballroom

**Roundtable: The Big Data and Information Technology Revolution: How Can it Revolutionize Health Care? Which Country is Going to Lead the Way?**

Moderator: *David Blumenthal*, The Commonwealth Fund

**Panel:**

*Anders Ekholm*, Institute for Future Studies (Sweden)

*Christian Nøhr*, Danish Center for Health Informatics (Denmark)

*Cheung Ngai Tseung*, Hong Kong Hospital Authority (Hong Kong)

*Ziv Ofek*, MDClone (Israel)

**Discussion**

12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.

**Closing Remarks**

*David Blumenthal*, President, The Commonwealth Fund

12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Lunch in the Winter Pavilion**