



WRA Payer Forum Event 2018
Embassy Suites Downtown-Pioneer Square, Seattle, WA
Thursday, May 17, 2018, 9:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Our industry is moving aggressively from fee-for-service to risk-based payment models.

Inflammatory conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis (RA) are particularly in focus, as they are among the top three most costly conditions for specialty drugs. Specialty drug spend is expected to more than quadruple by 2020, presenting tremendous cost challenges for employers, payers, providers and patients. As value-based reimbursement is implemented to address this, we must adapt quickly to the future of tying cost to quality for improvement and accountability.

You are invited to join us, as we discuss current challenges and opportunities, as well as what we must do to prepare for and help shape these new payment models.

This WRA Payer Forum Event represents the capstone to our Washington Learning Collaborative Initiative. Join rheumatologists and their administrators, as well as primary care and insurance representatives, for what will be very productive and informative day in Seattle. Rheumatology is paving the way in managing the right care for the right patient, with the right treatment, at the right time. **It's time to demonstrate value together!**

AGENDA:

- 9:15 a.m. Introductions and welcome, Jeff Peterson, MD, President WRA
- 9:30 a.m. Featured presenter: Nancy Giunto, Executive Director, Washington Health Alliance
- 10:00 a.m. WRA Learning Collaborative recap & recognition of participating practices and industry supporters
- 10:30 a.m. Break for refreshments and networking
- 10:45 a.m. WRA payer performance survey results and moderated panel discussion.

Panelists will include:

Paul Yoon, Specialty Pharmacy Manager, Kaiser Permanente Washington; Dennis Hagemann of Hagemann Healthcare Consulting - former Director of Strategic Programs and Contract Initiatives, Premera Blue Cross; Keith Smith, Aetna and Dick Whitten, MD, Medical Director, Noridian.

- 12:30 p.m. Lunch and Featured Presenter: Dr. Dick Whitten, Medical Director, CMS Noridian
- 1:30 p.m. Roundtable discussions including payers, healthcare providers and other stakeholders
- 2:30 Summary and adjournment

How to Register:

To help us plan, please pre-register by May 13, 2018.

More details and online registration are found on this page of our website:

<https://warheumatology.org/events/2018-wra-payer-forum/>

Cost to attend:

- WRA member physicians and their practice employees: free of charge
- WRA members-in-training: free of charge
- Primary care providers and their practice employees: \$25 per person
- Out of State and non-member physicians and their practice employees: \$25 per person
- Industry representatives may be included as part of an exhibitor package or they may register individually at \$100 per person.

If you are not sure about your registration category, please contact our office and we'll be happy to help.

For more information or for questions, please contact:

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