

Keeping Pace with Basic Needs: Cross-Agency Approaches to Align Health and Housing Systems

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

8:00 am –
8:30 am

Level Set on Health and Housing

Participants will receive an overview on the intersections between health and housing.

8:30 am –
9:30 am

Partnerships Across the Health and Housing Continuum

This session will focus on the partnerships between state agencies, between state and local entities, and among providers that support individuals experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. In particular, the group will discuss the various players in the health and housing space and where there may be opportunities to form and sustain cross-sector partnerships.

- **Stacy Tidwell**, Director of Youth Services, Kansas Department for Children and Families
- **Dena Hasan**, Director, Office of Policy and Program Support, District of Columbia Department of Human Services
- **Scott Tankersley**, Foundational Community Supports (FCS) Program Administrator, Washington Health Care Authority

9:30 am –
10:30 am

Financing Housing Related Services

This session will cover Medicaid authorities to finance housing-related services and strategies to braid Medicaid and other funding sources. Participants will hear from Louisiana, Arizona, and Pennsylvania on their approaches to financing housing-related services.

- **Robin Wagner**, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary, Louisiana Department of Health
- **Stephanie Meyer**, Special Assistant to the Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Human Services
- **Elizabeth Da Costa**, Director of Housing Programs, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System

10:30 am –
11:30 am

Cross Sector Data Strategies

In this session, participants will learn about promising practices for sharing and using data to align Medicaid, behavioral health, housing, and human and social services efforts. Experts will discuss successes and challenges they've experienced while planning and implementing data-driven health and housing strategies.

- **Jessica Thomasson**, Executive Policy Director, North Dakota Department of Human Services
- **Emily Cooper**, Special Advisor on Housing, MassHealth
- **Robert Plant**, Independent Behavioral Health Consultant