



Wichita Area Benefit Professionals

12th Annual
Healthcare Symposium

April 13, 2023



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Presents the 12th Annual
HEALTHCARE SYMPOSIUM

Conference Agenda

- 7:30 am – 7:55 am** **Registration and Breakfast**
- 7:55 am – 8:00 am** **Welcome – WABP President, Jennifer Elliott**
- 8:00 am – 9:00 am** **Michael Andel, Vice President of Congressional Affairs, National Association of Benefits Insurance Professionals**
An overview of the current congressional landscape and major regulatory actions on the horizon, including Medicare marketing and family glitch, NABIP federal priorities, employer reporting, site-neutral payment reform and single-payer.
- 9:00 am – 9:50 am** **J.V. Johnston, Executive Director, Guadalupe Clinic**
Insight into the Guadalupe Clinic, the people they serve, the treatment provided, and their community impact.
- 9:50 am – 10:10 am** **Break & Visit Exhibitor Booths**
- 10:10am – 11:00 pm** **Steve Smith, Partner with Hinkle Law**
Legal requirements related to the laws governing employer-sponsored group health plans, including the Internal Revenue Code, ERISA, statutory rights to coverage, non-discrimination requirements, COBRA, USERRA, FMLA, coverage for specific conditions and medical secondary payor rules.
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm** **Kendall Gammon, Keynote Speaker & Color Analyst for the Chiefs-ETHICS**
Kendall will review key components of emotional strength that enable us to get what we desire out of life. He will lay out four simple, practical steps to use in daily interactions with customers, partners and team members to create rewarding relationships.
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm** **Lunch & Visit Exhibitor Booths**
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm** **Jason Wenzke, President, RingmasterRx**
The top 5 issues for consultants and plan sponsors to address in 2023 and 2024 to reduce costs and prepare for the volatile pharmacy environment in the years ahead.
- 2:00 pm – 2:50 pm** **Dasa Gangadhar, MD, Assistant Dean for Clinical Education & Robin Durrett, DO, Clinical Faculty, Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine**
Review of the national physician shortage and how osteopathic medical education is addressing the issue; and in particular the impact of the Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine is serving the healthcare needs of Kansans and our local economy.
- 2:50 pm – 3:00 pm** **Break & Visit Exhibitor Booths**
- 3:00 pm – 3:50 pm** **Representative Dan Hawkins, Kansas House Majority Leader**
Briefing of “A Better Way” plan; tax plans being worked in the House of Representatives; insurance bills that have passed in the House and two key priorities for this session-water and work force development.
- 3:50 pm – 4:00 pm** **Closing Remarks – WABP President, Jennifer Elliott**

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Michael Andel, Vice President of Congressional Affairs, National Association of Benefits Insurance Professionals



Michael is a Vice President of Congressional Affairs at the National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals (NABIP). Michael has extensive experience in Congressional Relations.

Prior to joining NABIP, Michael was a Director of Federal Relations at Aflac. There, he advocated for access to employee benefits, including life, disability, dental, vision, and supplemental health insurance.

Michael has also worked in both the US House and Senate. He served as Chief of Staff for Congresswoman David Scott, where he successfully managed a full team of legislative and congressional casework experts and advised the Congresswoman on all legislative and campaign matters. He also worked for Senator Max Cleland.

Michael is a graduate of the University of Georgia and lives in Alexandria, VA with his family.

Michael will review the political landscape as well as legislative and regulatory updates in her presentation, covering the following subjects:

- NABIP's strategies to achieve policy goals;
- Specific policy proposals that have been and are under consideration or are being developed by Congress and the Administration;
- The political background, changes and processes that are leading to particular actions being made and how NABIP works to influence these processes;
- Policy positions of the association in affecting change in health reform at both the legislative and regulatory levels and how those positions are developed;
- Tools and resources for becoming active and engaged in these processes.

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J.V. Johnston, Executive Director, Guadalupe Clinic



J.V. Johnston has been the Executive Director at Guadalupe Clinic since January 2020. Since coming on board, J.V. has helped continuity of patient care by implementing a new electronic medical records system and allocating two full-time Physician Assistants – one at each clinic – to follow up care administered by volunteer providers. He is currently working side-by-side with a board-led strategic planning committee to help lead the Clinic into a new strategic management plan for the next three years. Prior to this role, he served as the VP of Advancement at Newman University.

Guadalupe Clinic is the only free, full-time clinic in the state of Kansas. All patients are uninsured and fall below 250% of the Federal Poverty Level. Since 1985, the Clinic has depended on the volunteerism of physicians and nurses and other healthcare providers to donate their time and energy to provide medical care to the working poor. Over 10,200 hours were donated to care for these patients last year. As a donation-based organization, funding comes from a mix of individuals, organizations, and grants. No support is received from the Catholic Diocese or the federal government.

Services provided include primary care, diabetic management, diagnostic testing and imaging, behavioral counseling, pharmacy consultations, and women’s wellness. Specialty services include allergy, cardiology, dermatology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, gynecology, ophthalmology, orthopedics, physical therapy, pulmonology, and urology.

J.V. will share background on the Guadalupe Clinic and the services they offer, the patients they serve, how they’re funded, their staffing model, and the impact the clinic has had in the Wichita community and ER visits, along with patient success stories.

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Steve Smith, Partner with Hinkle Law



Steven P. Smith is a member of the Hinkle Law Firm LLC in Wichita, where he has practiced employee benefits law for the past 20+ years. Mr. Smith received his law degree with honors from the University of Kansas School of Law in 1988. He is listed in *Best Lawyers* and in *Chambers and Partners*. He is also a member of the Gulf Coast Area TE/GE Council and has taught employee benefits law as an adjunct professor at the University of Kansas School of Law.

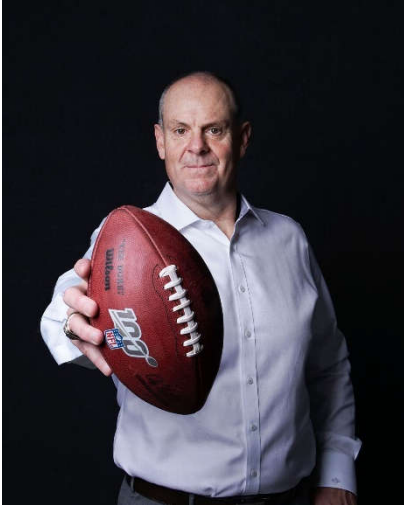
Steve will present “Understanding the Laws of Governing Employer-Sponsored Group Health Plans”

During his presentation he will review:

- The Internal Revenue Code
- Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA)
- Individuals with a Statutory Right to Coverage – Overview
- Nondiscrimination Requirements
- COBRA
- USERRA
- FMLA
- Laws Requiring Coverage for Specific Conditions
- Medical Secondary Payer Rules

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Kendall Gammon, Keynote Speakers & Color Analyst for the Chiefs-ETHICS



Kendall is a Kansas native and attended Division II Pittsburg State University where he was a captain for the 1991 National Champion Gorillas. He was also voted most inspirational by his teammates. There followed a 15-year NFL career as the Kansas City Chiefs' long snapper, and Kendall played in both the 1995 Super Bowl and a 2005 Pro Bowl. Today, Kendall is the Color Analyst for the Chiefs Radio Network Broadcast team, a role he fits in alongside his increasing speaking engagements. A sought-after keynote speaker, he has an unexpected stage presence for an NFL veteran who's known for his physical strength. Drawing on his own challenges, Kendall delivers a message threaded with vulnerability. He uses authentic storytelling to inspire business owners and their teams to use emotional strengths to embrace change, build stronger relationships, and positively impact their own growth and success. (And he also juggles.) While Kendall loves both his role as a professional speaker and as Color Analyst for the Chiefs Radio Network, he loves his role as a father even more and when not on the road, Kendall enjoys time with his grown sons, Blaise and Drake.

Kendall will present "SNAP Principles"

We all have our own value and the ability to create rewarding relationships with customers, colleagues, friends, and family – but sometimes it's not that easy. There are, however, four simple steps we can all take to understand and apply your emotional strength – and enable us to get what we desire out of life.

Kendall lays out the key components of emotional strength and provides these simple, practical steps that you can use in daily interactions with customers, partners and team members. He calls it the SNAP framework:

- Set Goals
- Notice Strengths
- Accept Accountability
- Practice Persistence

Developing greater emotional strength by using the SNAP framework helps people reach higher and farther than with their physical strength alone.

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Jason Wenzke, President, RingmasterRx



Jason Wenzke is on a mission to make pharmacy benefits more efficient and effective for everyone in the ecosystem. As the President of RingmasterRx, Jason and his team combine their collective pharmacy and tech expertise to build cloud based work-flow and analytics technology that allows brokers and consultants to evaluate, analyze and audit their clients pharmacy contracts and utilization patterns. With over 20 years of experience in the employee benefits space and having acted as a “consultant’s consultant” to employee benefits consultants at some of the nation’s largest consulting firms Jason is a thought leader in the pharmacy benefits industry.

Jason will cover the Top 5 issues for consultants and plan sponsors to address in 2023 and going into 2024. Focusing on specific action items that employers and their consultants need to do to reduce cost and prepare themselves from a volatile pharmacy environment in the years ahead.

Items Covered:

1. Drug migration: New Drugs to Market and Drugs Coming Off Patent
2. Gene & Cell Therapy
3. Patient Assistant Programs
4. State PBM Regulations
5. The explosion of Diabetes drugs and spend

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Dasa Gangadhar, MD, Assistant Dean for Clinical Education

Dr. Gangadhar was a founding member of the proposed KHSC-KansasCOM's board of trustees before taking the role of assistant dean for clinical education. He was previously a partner and medical director for Grene Vision Group where he had over 27 years of clinical practice as an ophthalmologist and corneal transplant surgeon in Wichita. He has spent a significant amount of time working in rural Kansas communities and saw firsthand the critical shortage of medical services throughout the state, leading to a passion for training the next generation of Kansas physicians.

Robin Durrett, DO, Clinical Faculty, Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine

Dr. Durrett has been in general surgery practice in Barton County, Kansas since 1994. He has performed all types of general surgery throughout his career and served the community in private practice until 2012. These years in service in western Kansas have given him a special dedication to rural health. He has served as a board member of the Kansas Board of Healing Arts for more than 27 years, which has given him a wealth of expertise on the standard care ethics of Kansas health care law.

Dr. Gangadhar and Dr. Durrett will present “Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine (KansasCOM): Addressing the Healthcare Needs of the Next Generation”

In the presentation, they will cover:

- Healthcare needs of Kansas and the impending national physician shortage
- Importance of osteopathic medical education in addressing this shortage
- Impact of KansasCOM on the local economy
- Explain the number of medical school graduates in relation to the number of GME positions
- Describe how medical school education is evolving to meet the knowledge explosion

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Representative Dan Hawkins, Kansas House Majority Leader



Rep. Dan Hawkins is the Speaker of the Kansas House of Representatives.

Dan spent a good share of his early childhood on his grandfather's dairy farm in southern Harper County.

In 1985, Dan married his college sweetheart Diane, and they have two beautiful daughters. Dan loves spending time with his daughters and their husbands, as well as his grandson and future fishing buddy, Rocky.

In 1991, Dan and his father started their first business. From that time on, Dan knew that owning his own business is exactly what he wanted to do.

In 1995, Dan started his career in the insurance business and has been working with other small businesses ever since. One of his daughters runs the family business while Dan is in Topeka.

Dan has represented the 100th District in the Wichita area in the Kansas House since 2013. Before joining the ranks of House leadership, Dan served as Chair of the House Health Committee. He was elected Majority Leader prior to the 2019 session and served two terms in that role until he was elected Speaker of the House prior to the 2023 session.

Dan will discuss the following legislative items:

1. "A Better Way" plan
2. Tax Plans the House of Representatives has worked on
3. Insurance bills that have passed in the house
4. Two key issues and priorities for the house this session – Water and work force development.

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