



This Week in Primary Care The Menu of Options Issue

You hear us say this a lot: there's no one right way to guarantee access to high-quality primary care for everyone. Each state and community will need to figure out what will work best for their unique circumstances. That is going to mean a lot of stakeholders have to figure out what works for them, too. Clinicians, payers, health clinics, medical practices, elected officials, and patients each play their part.

Today, we look at actions taken by three different stakeholders to attempt to make our mess of a health care system function a little better.

- States can legislate primary care expenditure, clinician compensation, tuition reimbursement, prospective payments, and more. The Milbank Memorial Fund highlights steps that five states have taken to increase primary care spending.
- In California, three health insurers are working together to create a new shared-payment model for primary care physicians that will reward practices that meet preventive care goals and demonstrate improved management of chronic diseases.
- A family doctor in Pennsylvania has navigated the perverse incentives of the health care patchwork in his own way, from private practice to multiple employers and finally back to private practice. Read his brief story to understand why he has had to adapt to a changing health care landscape.

Whether you are a clinician, a payer, a patient, or a politician, PC4AA's State and Local Playbooks can help you determine the best path towards achieving primary care for all in your community! Join us for our next Teach-In/Learn-In, on Tuesday, March 25, at 8:30 pm Eastern Time, where people who have been using the playbooks in their communities will present *Playbook: A Menu of Options*. Details below!

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- The production associate will coordinate constituent relations, manage the mailing list, produce bi-weekly newsletters, manage the scheduling of meetings for multiple committees and state and local workgroups, update the website, and help out in other ways that come up. Five hours per week.
- The newsletter editor will collect news articles, academic papers, event notices, and anything else involving primary care worth highlighting for our members. Editor will write introductions to other works, edit the work of contributors, and may write original content if interested. Some health policy knowledge is required.
- The communications associate will develop and nurture relationships with external partners, oversee internal and external communications, including social media, and contribute to the newsletter and website.

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REPORT



Five States Leading Efforts to Increase Primary Care Spending

Smart investments in primary care services, such as higher compensation for providers and steady prospective payments for primary care practices, could help attract and retain more primary care clinicians. So too could additional funding for nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and others delivering [team-based care](#), which may alleviate physician burnout and result in high-quality care for patients.

[Nearly 20 states](#) have initiatives related to primary care expenditure, ranging from multipayer collaboratives to define and measure primary care spending to specified spending targets.

[Read the Article](#)



Teach-In/Learn-In

Tuesday, March 25

8:30pm EDT

Sara Pastoor



Matthew Libby



Queens, NY



New Bedford, MA

PLAYBOOK: A MENU OF OPTIONS

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BECKER'S _____ **PAYER ISSUES**

**'Pay attention to what we're doing here':
3 payers come together on new
payment model in California**

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BECKER'S PHYSICIAN LEADERSHIP

How 1 physician went independent and never looked back

Francesca Mathewes

While most physicians work in employed settings, there is a growing shift toward independent practice as concerns about physician autonomy and satisfaction persist.

Harry Haus, MD, medical director of Dr. Haus & Associates in Erie, Pa., has made the full circle from private practice to employment and back to private practice through his career in family and addiction medicine.

[Read the Article](#)

At our most recent Teach-In/Learn-In, Allana Krolikowski, MD, FAAFP, shared how maternity care can help communities provide primary care to everyone.

If you missed it, you can watch here!



[Watch Video](#)

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We're excited to invite you to join us in making a meaningful difference in healthcare access for all Americans. By becoming a Primary Care Champion, you can support our vital work and help us create a healthier future for everyone.

Every contribution counts!

Together, we can drive impactful change in our communities.

Thank you for considering becoming a Primary Care Champion!

- Do you have a primary care story? Good or bad, **we want to hear it!**
- Follow PC4AA on **Instagram**, **Facebook**, and **LinkedIn!**
- We are looking for volunteers to work with our social media team! **Click here** if you are interested.
- Please **support PC4AA** in the fight for primary care for people, not for profit!

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Share Your Primary Care Story With Us!

Have you had an unfortunate experience trying to access primary care? A great experience with a primary care provider? Whether you are a patient, caretaker, or health care professional, we want to hear your story! How has access to primary care affected you and your family?

[Tell Us Your Story](#)

We may even ask you to share your story with our supporters in one of our Teach-In/Learn-Ins! You can watch Kristen's story for inspiration.



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