



The Puzzle of Parity: Implementing Behavioral Health Parity

Friday, September 16, 2016 Seton Hall Law School 1 Newark Center, Newark, N.J.

8:30-9:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

Larson Auditorium, Third Floor

9:00-9:30 a.m. Welcome, Overview of the Conference, and Brief Parity Primer

John V. Jacobi and Tara Adams Ragone, Center for Health &

Pharmaceutical Law & Policy, Seton Hall Law

9:30-10:45 a.m. A View from the States: Sampling of State Approaches to Parity

Implementation

Panelists:

Clare McGorrian, Senior Staff Attorney and Director, Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Initiative, Health Law Advocates, Massachusetts

Laura Morris, Assistant Healthcare Advocate, Office of the Healthcare Advocate, State of Connecticut

Michael D. Reisman, Assistant Attorney General, Health Care Bureau, New York State Office of the Attorney General

Ellen Weber, Professor, University of Maryland Carey School of Law, and Vice President for Health Initiatives, Legal Action Center

 $\textbf{Moderator: Tara Adams Ragone,} \ \text{Center for Health } \&$

Pharmaceutical Law & Policy, Seton Hall Law

10:45-11:00 a.m. Break

11 a.m.-12 p.m. Early Lessons from California's Parity Compliance Filings and

Surveys

Elizabeth Spring, Attorney IV, California Department of Managed

Health Care

12:00-1:15 p.m. Lunch, The Newark Club, One Newark Center, 22nd Floor,

Newark, NJ 07102

Lunchtime Keynote: "Perspectives on Implementing MHPAEA"

Richard G. Frank, Margaret T. Morris Professor of Health Economics, Department of Health Care Policy, Harvard Medical School, and former Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation,

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

1:15-3:15 p.m. Analyzing Parity Case Studies

Panelists:

Garry Carneal, Senior Policy Advisor, The Kennedy Forum, and

Founder, Schooner Strategies

Adam R. Easterday, Deputy General Counsel, Optum - Consumer

Solutions Group

Bradley E. Lerner, Associate General Counsel & Director, Parity

Compliance, Beacon Health Options, Inc.

Irvin L. "Sam" Muszynski, Senior Policy Advisor and Director of Parity Implementation and Enforcement, American Psychiatric

Association

Moderator: John V. Jacobi, Center for Health & Pharmaceutical

Law & Policy, Seton Hall Law

3:15 p.m. Closing Remarks

John V. Jacobi, Center for Health & Pharmaceutical Law & Policy,

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