

# Accountable Care Organizations and Rural Health Providers



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**Program Description:** The current evolution of health care finance from volume-based to value-based will be described. The implication for rural hospitals (including Critical Access Hospitals) will be presented from the perspective of three payment sources: Commercial Insurance, Medicare, and Medicaid.

## Objectives:

- Participants will be knowledgeable about the current status of the Accountable Care Organization program and pilots in the Medicare program.
- Participants will be knowledgeable about the use of ACOs by commercial insurers and large health systems.
- Participants will have an awareness of the likelihood of their organization needing to consider managing the transition to value-based payment in the near, immediate, and long range future.
- Participants will have information and suggestions to assess their own readiness to participate in value-based payment.

**Target Audience:** Hospital executives (e.g., CEO, CFO, CIO) and physician leaders (including hospital CMOs.)

## Speaker:



Keith J. Mueller, Ph.D., is Gerhard Hartman Professor and Head, Department of Health Management and Policy, College of Public Health, University of Iowa. He is also the Director of the Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI) Center for Rural Health Policy Analysis. He has served as President of the National Rural Health Association (NRHA) and as a member of the National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services. He also served on the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. He currently serves on the Advisory Committee to the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research. He has published more than 70 scholarly articles in health services research and policy and received awards recognizing his research contributions from NRHA, RUPRI, and the University of Nebraska. Dr. Mueller has directed major health services studies funded by the U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. He has testified on numerous occasions before committees of Congress and in other forums, including the Institute of Medicine and the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission. His PhD is in Political Science from The University of Arizona, and he completed a faculty fellowship with The Johns Hopkins University.

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