

LEADERSHIP COMMENTS NATIONALLY REGARDING THE NETWORK OF CARE



CAROL MOEHRLE

**DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH, IDAHO NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT IN LEWISTON
PAST PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AND CITY HEALTH OFFICIALS (NACCHO)**

“This is really a fantastic new program, tailor-made for public health departments. We can now have a living report card built from all population health data sources on virtually every topic in health. This, combined with Model Practices, trends, and a wide variety of supporting material, makes an ideal platform for Community Health needs assessment and community planning.”

DR. WILLIAM PILKINGTON, CEO AND HEALTH DIRECTOR, CABARRUS (N.C.) HEALTH ALLIANCE

“This site is a one-stop shop for residents to find the services and information they need to live a healthier life.”

VALERIE BROWN, SUPERVISOR, FIRST DISTRICT, SONOMA COUNTY, CALIF.

PAST PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

“It is only a matter of time before counties all over the country discover this terribly significant program and replicate it in their own areas.”

JAN CHAMNESS, PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KY.

““The Network of Care for Public Health Assessment and Wellness site presents the most up-to-date health data at your fingertips.”

LINDA LANGSTON, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (NACO)

“It is great to see this remarkable program continue to expand. Kudos to Santa Clara County. This is a significant county with a huge health department. Hopefully, others will also notice and add these data-driven, decision-making tools to their programs. ... “This joint effort between NACo, NACCHO and Trilogy is remarkable work that virtually every county can use immediately. The fact that it can be replicated to any county at a very low cost makes it a complete winner. I truly expect to see this as a national platform of local health information in the near future.”

NICK MACCHIONE, DIRECTOR, SAN DIEGO COUNTY (CALIF.) HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

“Our Network of Care sites give our local community members and partnering organizations access to the latest information and best practices about priority areas for health, safety and well-being,”

MARYLAND GOV. MARTIN O'MALLEY

"With the launch of this new platform, we are furthering our commitment to improve the health of every woman, man and child in our state. The SHIP program is an important part of our efforts to expand access to care and reduce health disparities in our communities. The enhancement of this program through the Trilogy application will provide resources directly to those in our local communities who need them most. Together, we can improve health outcomes and a better quality of life for more Marylanders."

**ELIZABETH "LIESKE" GIESE, DIRECTOR/HEALTH OFFICER
EAU CLAIRE CITY-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WIS.**

"The Eau Claire Healthy Communities Network of Care site is an exciting collaborative effort to improve the health of Eau Claire County residents. The data available will help us to collaboratively identify and address community health needs, and ultimately help us achieve the shared vision of everyone living better, longer."

**DR. JOSHUA M. SHARFSTEIN
SECRETARY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE**

"Marylanders can use this tool to find out about the health of their communities, and public-private health coalitions across the state can communicate with the public on their activities and progress."

**JAN PORATH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
UNITED WAY OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY, EAU CLAIRE, WIS.**

"The Eau Claire Healthy Communities website is an excellent example of collective impact. As a community, we can achieve more by partnering to work towards a common goal of addressing public health than any of us can on our own."

LANCE HIMES, INTERIM DIRECTOR, OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

"Network of Care will give Ohio a dynamic and integrated platform to track key public health indicators at the state and local levels."

JULIE MANAS, PRESIDENT AND CEO, SACRED HEART HOSPITAL, EAU CLAIRE, WIS.

"The Network of Care site greatly enhances our ability to collaboratively engage in initiatives that will improve the health and wellness of the community, while concurrently supporting efforts to deliver high-quality health care."

**KRISTA WASOWSKI, COUNTY HEALTH COMMISSIONER
PRESIDENT, ASSOCIATION OF OHIO HEALTH COMMISSIONERS**

"The Association of Ohio Health Commissioners applauds the leadership shown by the Ohio Department of Health in making Network of Care a reality in Ohio. This new data tool will allow local communities to focus their efforts on areas of greatest need and to more efficiently use limited health assessment funds."

**DR. RANDALL LINTON, PRESIDENT AND CEO
MAYO CLINIC HEALTH SYSTEM SITES IN NORTHWEST WISCONSIN**

"The Chippewa Valley has always benefited by having access to quality health care organizations. Now, by combining our knowledge through the Network of Care, we can share our expertise to jointly improve the health of our community."

**SHANNON VANDERHEIDEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NORTH PLATTE, NEB.**

“One of the immediate benefits that we see in implementing the Network of Care is that it will provide individuals, families and organizations in our district with a one-stop tool to help them find up-to-date information and resources that are easy to understand and utilize.”

MIRIAM GEHLER, ADMINISTRATOR, MARSHFIELD CLINIC-EAU CLAIRE CENTER, WIS.

"This health portal will provide Eau Claire County residents and Chippewa Valley healthcare organizations with valuable information that can measure the challenges we collaboratively face and the progress we make in delivering quality, cost-effective care to our citizens."

TERESA ANDERSON, DIRECTOR, NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

“The Network of Care will provide us with a ready source – a complete and current site where we can go, and where others in the community can go – to get current statistics and numbers to guide their work. It will allow us to display local, state and nationally acquired data in an easily understood and immediately accessible manner. The Nebraska Association of Local Health Directors is excited to work with our local health department members to bring this to Nebraska.”

TERRY KROHN, DIRECTOR, TWO RIVERS PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HOLDREGE, NEB.

“We are excited to be able to offer this Web-based health data system for the people and agencies in the Two Rivers Public Health Department district. The TRPHD Network of Care will provide access to information and resources that will assist local communities and organizations in improving and protecting the health of the people that we serve.”

TINA EDWARDS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CHENANGO HEALTH NETWORK, NORWICH, N.Y.

“Our network and all of its partners look forward to using the Network of Care for Public Health as we conduct our local community health assessment and plan of action. The Web site will enable us to view data all in one location, as well as interact with each other during our planning process and after.”

JULIA PEEK, MHA MANAGER

NEVADA STATE HEALTH DIVISION’S OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATICS AND EPIDEMIOLOGY

“The Network of Care for Public Health Web site is truly an innovation in public health data presentation and will be an asset for Nevada. Not only will it display data in a clear format by region, but it also provides national comparison and evidence-based interventions so action can be taken to improve in any area. We are so excited to be able to offer this tool for Nevadans.”

RUSS DUKE, DISTRICT DIRECTOR

CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT, IDAHO

“Idaho is a true leader. This joint effort between NACo, NACCHO and Trilogy is remarkable work that virtually every county can use immediately. The fact that it can be replicated to any county at a very low cost makes it a complete winner. I truly expect to see this as a national platform of local health information in the near future.”

LIZ KNISS, COUNTY SUPERVISOR, SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CALIF.

"This breakthrough use of Internet technology through the Network of Care is a powerful step forward in public health. We are 'liberating' health information to be used for real change at the local level. Not only do the people living in Santa Clara County now have the best-in-class information and tools for themselves and their families, but our policy makers now have the best possible data to form sound health policy to improve the health of the community across the board. This is a new era, and we are quite proud of this step forward."

**MARLENE BABCHAK, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ACCORD CORPORATION, ALLEGANY COUNTY, N.Y.**

"Our staff is very excited about the Allegany County Network of Care. We'll be using it for community assessments, planning, and service referrals and promoting the Web site to our customers as a valuable community resource. Kudos!"

RANDY SNOWDEN, DIRECTOR, NAPA COUNTY, CALIF., HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

"How healthy are we? What's the teen-age pregnancy rate? What's the light birth weight rate? What's the diabetes rate? Is healthy food available within 1-mile proximity? There are all these indicators to look at, to get an idea of what are the needs in our community. The Network of Care (which we call NapaHealthMatters) directly addresses this and is going to make it much easier for anyone who is trying to assess needs in the community to have the information quickly available to them. This is going to be a fabulous tool. And then, of course, the individual residents of Napa County are going to be able to make use of this."

LINDA SCHULZ, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR, ST. HELENA HOSPITAL, ST. HELENA, CALIF.

"St. Helena Hospital Napa Valley is proud to be a partner in NapaHealthMatters.org. This comprehensive resource will help us honor our commitment to actively support health, body, mind and spirit, in our community. NapaHealthMatters.org will provide current information that allows us to innovatively address the health challenges of Napa County residents and enable them to live younger longer."

**DANIS KREIMEIER, DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES
NAPA COUNTY, CALIF.**

"I found NapaHealthMatters.org to be one of the most inclusive sites of its type. The extraordinary research tools give this Web site a tremendous capacity to be used in libraries, research and schools."

BARBARA NEMKO, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, NAPA COUNTY, CALIF.

"This has tremendous potential for use in schools. I can see great capacity for its use by teachers, students and parents, to locate resources, or track data for projects and reports. It's a perfect technological resource and easy enough for all to use."

**DONALD N. HITCHCOCK, M.D., MEDICAL DIRECTOR
COMMUNITY OUTREACH DEPARTMENT, QUEEN OF THE VALLEY HOSPITAL, NAPA, CALIF.**

"This new Web site will be extremely valuable to our Community Outreach Department, helping us to design our programs to target the needs in the community and to help our patients find the resources they need."

SUSAN DUKE, GRANT MANAGER, NAPA VALLEY VINTNERS, NAPA, CALIF.

"It will serve the needs of many, particularly Napa County residents who seek important information about the health of their community, and will serve as a powerful data engine and single source for health-related statistics and resources. We now have something that can pull so much information together and allow us to focus on what it really means to be a healthy community."

**VALERIE BROWN, SUPERVISOR, FIRST DISTRICT, SONOMA COUNTY, CALIF.
PAST PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES**

"In my time of public service, I found that one of the most important aspects of my responsibility to the people of Sonoma County was to deliver the facts about where we are today and what we need to do to create a sustainable future. In Sonoma County, we deal with many challenging and complex issues involving the health of our community. Together, we have been able to leverage data, analytic tools, and information sources on effective practices in unprecedented ways. One of the key elements of our strategy to improve community health has been through the use of the Network of Care for Healthy Communities resource. This information wellspring is a powerful vehicle for change through its ability to integrate many aspects of information about health and government services in a simple, easy-to-use platform. It allows decision-makers to create programs that achieve success, by reducing obesity in children and diabetes in adults. The use of the Internet and social network tools is a powerful force for community action and improvement. Healthdata.gov has captured the ability to utilize existing data and knowledge to motivate and support healthy living as a dominant force for change in all communities in America. I am personally thrilled to find the new capabilities and information sources provided by Healthdata.gov. Personal experience in our community using data has shown me how understanding the problem promotes action. I encourage all civic leaders and concerned citizens to take a moment and understand the power of data through Healthdata.gov."