Healthier Rural West Summit Announces Sponsors and New Speakers

Transitioning from Crisis to Wellbeing: The Summit will bring together more than 400 key stakeholders to address challenges facing the health and wellbeing of America’s rural West

SAN FRANCISCO (PRWEB) February 12, 2019 -- Healthier Rural West Summit is pleased to announce a growing and well-respected list of sponsors, patrons and speakers. This inaugural event, being held March 19-21, 2019, at Little America in Salt Lake City, will address key challenges to the health and wellbeing of the rural American West by offering an inspiring vision of rural cooperation and leadership in the coming information and health economies.

A Healthier WE, a nonprofit organization which is a catalyst for finding innovative solutions and opportunities through partnerships and collaborations among changemakers, is producing the Summit in collaboration with Founding Sponsor, Intermountain Healthcare, along with the following list of sponsors and patrons:

Zions Bank, DMBA, Cambia Health Foundation, University of Utah, Utah Department of Health, Stanford University The Bill Lane Center for the American West, Little America, Utah Hospital Association, Morgan Stanley, Utah Governor’s Office of Economic Development, Johnson & Johnson, and Goldman Sachs.

The Summit will include 80+ speakers and presenters who will discuss, debate and offer incubator initiatives focusing on solving the health, economic and environmental crises in the rural American West.

Confirmed speakers include:

- Marc Harrison, MD, President and CEO Intermountain Healthcare
- David Kennedy, PhD, Co-Founder, Bill Lane Center for the American West, Stanford University
- Hilary Franz, Commissioner of Public Lands, State of Washington
- Spencer Cox, Lt. Governor, State of Utah
- Michael Good MD, CEO University of Utah Health

In a highly participative format, more than 400 state and local government officials, nonprofit, faith and community activists, health system payors and providers, physicians, nurses and health caregivers, technology and business innovators, along with academic and thought leaders, will listen to inspiring talks and participate in interactive sessions to formulate successful strategies for creating wellbeing in the West.

This event is designed to foster a collaborative and critical problem-solving environment, focused on dialogue and action. Building on the theme of Transitioning from Crisis to Wellbeing, the outcomes will focus on four main health action pillars:

- Creating Healthier, More Equitable Communities
- Fostering Cross-Sector Collaboration
- Making Health a Shared Value
- Strengthening Integration of Health Services and Systems

The Summit will hold a closing pitch competition to select five or more rural health innovative initiatives that merit incubation to a deliverable state under the direction of A Healthier WE.
Phil Polakoff, MD, CEO of A Healthier WE and Consulting Professor, Stanford University School of Medicine, said “We are excited to partner with key stakeholders in rural health and healthcare. We look forward to forming critical relationships with the wide range of leaders who are committed to transitioning from crisis to wellbeing.”

We invite you to learn more about attending, sponsoring or participating in the Summit by visiting: Healthier Rural West Summit

About A Healthier WE: A Healthier WE, is a nonprofit organization which is a catalyst for finding innovative solutions and opportunities through partnerships and collaborations among changemakers.
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