



## Wichita Business Coalition on Health Care

**May-June 2018**

## COALITION NEWS AND VIEWS



### Roundtable presentation slides posted

Thank you to all the speakers, sponsors and attendees at the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Health Care Roundtable Conference in April!

It was a great day of learning and networking. Your feedback and suggestions for future educational events were greatly appreciated too. Several of the presentations are now posted in the **Members Only section of our website**.

If you haven't already created your

### Coming up

**June 11**

**Forum | 8 a.m.-Noon**

Obesity Forum – “If Obesity is a Disease, Why Don't We Treat it Like One?” A Local Conversation Addressing this Tough Health Problem  
:::Wichita Regional Chamber of Commerce

**June 13**

**Webinar | 2-3 p.m.**

Fighting the Type 2 Diabetes Epidemic: How Employers & Health Plans Can Participate in CDC's National DPP.  
:::**Click here to register**

**July 17**

**Forum | 5:30-7 p.m.**

Sedgwick County Commissioners Health Forum  
:::Venue 332 at the Scottish Rite

**Aug. 28**

personal password to access the Members Only resources, **please click here** and follow the prompts. Access requests then go through a quick review and approval process since access is reserved for WBCHC member organizations.

### **Welcome new members!**

We welcome our newest members: Guadalupe Clinic and ARC Physical Therapy. Dave Gear, executive director, will be the WBCHC representative for Guadalupe Clinic, and Toby Kriwiel, business development liaison, will represent ARC.

We are thrilled these organizations have joined the fold and that they bring perspectives not formerly represented in the Coalition membership.

### **Conference | 8 a.m.-5 p.m.**

14th Annual Working Well Conference ::Wichita Hyatt



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## **Opioid guide for employers**

Gaye Fortner with HealthCare 21 Business Coalition delivered an excellent presentation at the Roundtable Conference on what employers can do to manage opioid use.

Gaye's coalition developed a guide on this topic and has shared it with us. The PDF version of the guide is

posted in the **Members Only** section of the website, or you can email Janet Hamous at [janet.hamous@wbchc.com](mailto:janet.hamous@wbchc.com) and request a hard copy of the report.

Many of us have been waiting for the EEOC to issue new rules related to wellness programs (per the 12/17 AARP v. EEOC court ruling). It now appears those rules may not be forthcoming, posing a dilemma for employers.

The National Alliance of Healthcare Purchaser Coalitions has issued a "Purchaser Viewpoint" statement discussing the issue and implications for employers. **Click here to view.**

## 2018 Candidate Forum

Mark your calendar for the 2018 Sedgwick County Commissioners Health Forum from 5:30-7 p.m. on July 17.

The forum allows you to learn more about District 1, 4 and 5 candidates and their positions on health issues. The commissioners serve as the Board of Health for our county, so it is critical that voters understand the candidates' views and plans for health and health care in Sedgwick County. **Click here for a flier that you can share with others.**

## Healthy living resources available

Summer is a good time to focus on healthy living strategies since people are naturally more active, and healthy food is more readily available.

Several local organizations offer FREE ideas, programs and policies tailored to worksites.

Check out these websites to jump start your summer initiatives and access these free resources:

- HealthICT -- [www.healthict.org](http://www.healthict.org)
- Health & Wellness Coalition -- [www.hwcwichita.org](http://www.hwcwichita.org)
- WorkWell KS -- [www.workwellks.com](http://www.workwellks.com)

Don't spend time reinventing the wheel – click on one of these initiatives created by our local experts and see just how easy it is to get started. Some of the sample policies include healthy food donation, healthy catering and healthy vending.

HealthICT again this year is offering a program in coordination with Botanica that allows your staff to walk on the Botanica grounds at lunch on weekdays. They also will help you map out walking paths (indoors or outdoors) at your worksite. Contact Autumn Nance at [autumnnance@med-soc.org](mailto:autumnnance@med-soc.org) or 683-9441, ext. 423, for more information.



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