



# NRHA's 33rd Annual Rural Health Policy Institute is Feb. 8-10 in Washington, D.C.

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**Monday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>**

*Pre-Session Day*

*All times are in EST*

**8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.**

**NRHA CEO Certification Course**

*The NRHA Rural Hospital CEO Certification course for rural hospitals through education and engagement of current and future rural hospital CEOs to achieve leadership excellence resulting in healthy rural communities. (Limited to current cohort only)*

**11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

**NRHA Rural Health Fellows Meeting**

*Initial training session for the new 2022 Rural Health Fellows. (Limited to incoming cohort only)*

**2:30- 3:30 p.m.**

**NRHA Board of Trustees**

*Meeting of the NRHA Board of Trustees. (Limited to current Board Members only)*

**3:30- 4:30 p.m.**

**NRHA Constituency Group Meetings**

*Meeting of the NRHA Constituency Groups.*

- *Clinical Constituency Group*
- *Federally Qualified Health Center Constituency Group*
- *Hospital and Health System Constituency Group*
- *Public Health Constituency Group*
- *Research and Evaluation Constituency Group*
- *Rural Health Clinic Constituency Group*
- *Statewide Health Resources Constituency Group*
- *Student Constituency Group*

**4:30- 6:30 p.m.**

**NRHA Rural Health Congress Meeting**

*Meeting of the NRHA Rural Health Congress. (Limited to current NRHA Rural Health Congress members and Fellows only)*

**6:30- 7:30 p.m.**

**NRHA Government Affairs Committee Meeting**

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**Tuesday, Feb. 8**

## *Informational Sessions Day- Executive Branch*

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**10:00 - 10:15 a.m.**

### **Welcome**

*Kick off the Policy Institute to learn key messages and strategies for working with the Biden Administration and Members of Congress.*

Carrie Cochran-McClain, NRHA Chief Policy Officer

**10:15 - 10:30 a.m.**

### **Your Voice. Louder!**

*Hear from NRHA's 2022 President to learn about the association's priorities in the coming year.*

Beth O'Connor, NRHA President

**10:30 - 10:55 a.m.**

### **U.S. Department of Agriculture**

*Hear about priorities for investments in rural economic health and health care for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.*

Tom Vilsack, Secretary (Invited)

**10:55 - 11:15 a.m.**

### **White House Domestic Policy Council**

*Hear about priorities from the on rural health and infrastructure investments from lead staff at the White House.*

Catherine Oakar, Special Assistant to the President

**11:15 - 11:45 a.m.**

### **Reinvesting in the Health and Wellness of Rural America**

*Based on his experiences in rural Indiana, Dr. Cooke will discuss the need to reinvest in the health and wellness of America and to build an effective public health system that benefits everyone in the community.*

Dr. William Cooke

**11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.**

### **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

*Hear about rural health priorities from Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services.*

Secretary Xavier Becerra (Invited)

**12:15 - 1:00 p.m.**

### **Networking Lunch (Optional)**

*Enjoy small group discussion with other meeting participants on a range of emerging issues in rural health*

**1:00 - 1:30 p.m.**

### **Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**

*Hear about rural health priorities from the Administrator for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.*

Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, Administrator (Invited)

**1:30 - 2:00 p.m.**

### **Rural Safety Net Financial Sustainability**

Michael Topchik, Chartis Center for Rural Health

**2:00 - 2:30 p.m.**

### **Health Resources and Services Administration**

*Hear about priorities from the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration.*

Carole Johnson, Administrator

**2:30 - 3:00 p.m.**

### **Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture**

*Hear about priorities for investments in rural health care for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development.*

Xochitl Torres Small, Under Secretary

**3:00 - 3:15 p.m.**

### **Break**

**3:15- 3:45 p.m.**

### **Federal Communications Commission**

*Hear about policies and programs to increase availability of telehealth and broadband in rural areas for the Federal Communications Commission.*

Jessica Rosenworcel, Chairwomen (Invited)

**3:45- 4:15 p.m.**

### **National Telecommunications and Information Administration**

*Hear about rural priorities for the National Telecommunications and Information Administration at the US Department of Commerce.*

Evelyn Remaley, Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information (Invited)

**4:15 - 5:00 p.m.**

### **Hyper-Politization its Effect on Public Policy**

*Hear from American Enterprise Institute senior fellow's about how the hyper-politization of American politics has impacted rural health care and health policy.*

- Karlyn Bowman, Distinguished Senior Fellow
- Norm Ornstein, Senior Fellow Emeritus

**5:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

### **Roundtable Discussions (Optional)**

*End your day discussing emerging issues facing rural communities by joining our afternoon roundtables sessions sponsored by NRHA's Platinum Partners.*



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## Wednesday, Feb. 9

### *Advocacy in Practice*

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**9:00- 10:00 a.m.**

#### **Roundtable Discussions**

*Start your day discussing emerging issues facing rural communities at sessions sponsored by NRHA's Platinum Partners.*

**10:00-10:30 a.m.**

#### **Taking Our Fight to the Hill**

*Welcome to day two as we take our fight to Members of Congress. Carrie Cochran-McClain, NRHA Chief Policy Officer*

**10:30 - 11:00 a.m.**

#### **Capitol Hill Day Advocacy 101**

*Learn how to make the most of your meetings with elected officials. Josh Jorgenson, NRHA Government Affairs Manager*

**11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

#### **Capitol Hill advocacy**

*Opportunities to meet with participants state delegations on rural health priorities.*

**11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

#### **Agricultural Mental Health Coalition Quarterly Meeting**

*Meeting of the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy's Agricultural Mental Health Coalition quarterly meeting to discuss the mental health challenges and solutions that farmers and ranchers face. (Limited to current coalition members only)*

## Thursday, Feb. 10

### *Informational Sessions Day- Legislative Branch*

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**9:00-9:10 a.m.**

#### **Welcome**

Carrie Cochran-McClain, NRHA Chief Policy Officer

**9:10 a.m.- Noon**

#### **Rural Priorities within the 117th Congress**

*Hear directly from the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress on their rural priorities.*

**Representative Jodey Arrington (Invited)**

**Senator John Barrasso**

**Senator Joni Ernst**

**Representative Sam Graves (Invited)**

**Representative Ron Kind (Invited)**

**Senator James Lankford (Invited)**

**Senator Joe Manchin (Invited)**

**Representative McEachin (Invited)**

**Senator Jeff Merkley (Invited)**

#### **Rural Priorities within the 117th Congress Cont.**

**Senator Shelley Moore Capito**

**Senator Patty Murray (Invited)**

**Representative Tom O'Halloran (Invited)**

**Senator Tina Smith (Invited)**

**Representative Abigail Spanberger**

**Senator Jon Tester**

**Senator John Thune (Invited)**

**Senator Ron Wyden**

**12:00 - 1:00 p.m.**

#### **Networking Lunch (Optional)**

*Enjoy small group discussion with other meeting participants on a range of emerging issues in rural health*

### *Rural Health Disparities Summit*

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**1:00- 1:30 p.m.**

#### **White House COVID-19 Equity Task Force**

*Hear from a White House Coronavirus Task Force member about recommendations from their report to the President.*

Dr. Tim Putnam, Task Force Member

**1:30 - 2:30 p.m.**

#### **Workforce Challenges Facing Rural America Panel**

**2:30- 2:45 p.m.**

#### **Break**

**2:45 - 3:15 p.m.**

#### **Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration**

*Hear about rural behavioral priorities at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.*

Miriam Delphin-Rittmon, Administrator (Invited)

**3:15-4:15 p.m.**

#### **Declining Rural Life Expectancy Panels**

**4:15-4:45 p.m.**

#### **Bringing it All Together: Making Change in Rural America**

Dr. Cara James, President and CEO Grantmakers in Health

**4:45 - 5:00 p.m.**

#### **The Future for Rural Health**

Alan Morgan, NRHA Chief Executive Officer