

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026

10:30 A.M.

Conference Registration Desk opens

Governors' Pre-function area

NOON

Lunch available for MDHHS Meeting Guests

12:30 - 1:45 P.M.

MDHHS Bimonthly Meeting

(By-invitation only)

Mackinac Room

2:00 - 3:15 P.M.

MDHHS MICH CEO Meeting

(By-invitation only)

Tower AB Ballroom

3:15 - 4:45 P.M.

Plan-Partner Networking Expo

(Closed event: Pre-qualified partners and plan members only)

Michigan Ballroom, Lobby Level

MODERATOR: Dawn Dorsch, DENCAP Dental Plans and MAHP Annual Conference Chair

5:00 - 7:00 P.M.

MAHP Medical, Pharmacy and QI Directors Meeting

(By-invitation only)

Tower AB Ballroom

MAHP Board of Directors Meeting

(By-invitation only)

Mackinac Room

7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Opening Reception and Silent Auction with Partners in Exhibit Hall

Governors' CDEF

Kid's Corner presented by Pomelo Care in the Pre-function Area.



Kid's Drawstring Bag presented by United Concordia Dental at Booth 56, Pre-function Area.



The Signature Drink is hosted by Brown & Brown.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026

All Wednesday sessions will be in Governors' AB.

7:30 A.M.

Conference Registration Desk Opens

Governors' Pre-function area

Breakfast Buffet and Silent Auction with Partners in Exhibit Hall

Governors' CDEF

Breakfast hosted by Zerigo Health. Visit them at Booth 49.



8:30 A.M.

Welcome

Melissa Holmquist, CEO, Upper Peninsula Health Plan and President, Michigan Association of Health Plans Board of Directors

8:40 A.M.

State of the MAHP

Dominick Pallone, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Health Plans

8:50 A.M.

Keynote Address: Strong Alone. Better Together. Unlocking Possibility Together.

Sebastian Terry, *100 Things*, Keynote Speaker

The greatest achievements come through connection, not action alone. Seb Terry's Me, You, Us framework shows leaders and teams how to harness human connection to strengthen culture, accelerate performance, and unlock collective potential. Blending storytelling, research, and practical strategies, his keynote will reveal how connection transforms individuals into unstoppable teams capable of extraordinary results together.

10:00 A.M.

Stretch Break

Refreshments available in Pre-function area.

10:15 A.M.

Navitus Health Solutions Partner Showcase Presentation: Navigating Change Together: Delivering Value Through End-to-End Pharmacy Solutions

PRESENTER: Jennifer Reed, Market Managing Vice President, Sales, Navitus Health Solutions

As drug costs climb, pricing remains opaque, and regulatory scrutiny intensifies, health plans need innovative, end-to-end pharmacy solutions. This presentation explores the forces disrupting pharmacy from the biosimilar surge to the rise of cost-plus models to supply chain strain, and lays out the best path to clarity and control. It culminates with the introduction of Clarventa, a next-generation procurement model and bold shift to upfront, net pricing with no hidden economics.

10:30 A.M.

The Aftershocks of H.R. 1

MODERATOR: Kenyata Rogers, Chief Operating Officer, Aetna Better Health of Michigan

PANELISTS:

Craig Kennedy, President and CEO, Medicaid Health Plans of America

Brian Peters, CEO, Michigan Health and Hospital Association

Josh Rekula, Senior Consulting Actuary I, Wakely

Amber Bellazaire, Senior Policy Analyst, Michigan League for Public Policy

As Michigan continues to brace for the many policy, operational, and financial fallouts of last year's House of Representatives' Bill 1 (H.R. 1) states are reacting and implementing changes that will have long-term impacts on our state's Medicaid program. Listen to key stakeholders discuss the impact of these changes, what's next, how best to assist enrollees with these changes, and how to help isolate Michigan from future federal changes that may have negative consequences for Michigan's most vulnerable populations.

11:20 A.M.

Adjourn

Light lunch available in Governors' Pre-function area. Golfer's lunch on your cart.

11:45 A.M.

MAHP Advocacy PAC Golf Tournament

Wolverine Golf Course

Carts leave at noon.

(Optional event; pre-registration and additional fee required)

12:15 P.M.

Hops and Vines Tour

Meet at Main Entrance of Resort

Bus departs at 12:30 p.m.

(Optional event; additional fee required)

Transportation hosted by Alaffia Health and GT Independence.



1:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Pickleball Mix & Mingle

Indoor Health Club

(Optional event; pre-registration and additional fee required)

Presented by Jukebox Health.

Jukebox Health

5:45 - 7:30 P.M.

Reception and Silent Auction in Exhibit Hall

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Kid's Drawstring Bag presented by United Concordia Dental at Booth 56, Pre-function Area.



THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2026

7:30 - 8:00 A.M.

Registration Desk Opens and Early Bird Workout

Mackinac Room

Tanya Kuzminsky, RD, MHSA

Lundbeck and MAHP Conference Committee Member

8:00 - 8:55 A.M.

Breakfast Buffet and Silent Auction in Exhibit Hall

Governors' CDEF

Breakfast hosted by Progeny Health. Visit them at Booth 12.



9:00 A.M.

Welcome

Governors' AB

Dominick Pallone, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Health Plans

HealthEdge Partner Showcase

Presentation: Benchmarking What Matters: Outcomes, Efficiency, and Cost

PRESENTER: David Kirk, Vice President, Advisory, HealthEdge

This session explores a more complete way to evaluate total cost of ownership across payer operations by looking beyond budget line items to the operational realities that drive cost. Attendees will learn how benchmarking cost, staffing, efficiency, and performance against peers can expose hidden cost drivers and help leaders make smarter decisions about operational improvement and modernization efforts.

9:15 A.M.

Beyond the Ledger: The Bottom Line with Jen Flood

Governors' AB

MODERATOR: Dominick Pallone, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Health Plans

PRESENTER: Jen Flood, Budget Director, State of Michigan

State of Michigan Budget Director Jen Flood will share her thoughts and commentary about Michigan's budget, the Governor's effort to advance dedicated state revenue for Medicaid, and why future legislators, appropriators, and governors must continue to protect Medicaid funding in future budget years ahead.

9:45 - 10:25 A.M.

Break in Exhibit Hall with Partners and Closing of Silent Auction

Governors' CDEF

Visit with our exhibitors while enjoying a healthy morning snack and place your final Silent Auction bids!

Coffee Break hosted by Pyx Health.



10:25 A.M.

Silent Auction Closes

Auction winners will be announced during the Annual Awards Luncheon.

10:30 - 11:45 A.M.

Health Policy Insights from DC Insiders

MODERATOR: James Gelfand, *President and CEO, The ERISA Industry Committee (ERIC)*

PANELISTS:

James Brandell, *Vice President, Global Government Policy, John Hancock*

Amy Lotven, *Editorial Director/Senior Reporter, Inside Health Policy*

Megan Wilson, *Author of the Health Brief Newsletter, The Washington Post*

Do you want to know what health care policy experts who are reporting the news are predicting for the remainder of the Trump administration? Hear from leading health care policy experts, reporters, and lobbyists who are on the front lines, monitoring regulators and policymakers to gain insights into future federal health care policies.

NOON

MAHP Annual Awards Luncheon

Michigan Ballroom, Lobby Level

Announcement of the 2026 MAHP Foundation Pinnacle Award Winners

Presentation of the MAHP Ellis J. Bonner, Eugene Farnum, Presidential Merit, Legislative and Golf Awards

1:15 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Silent Auction Checkout

Registration Desk, Governors' Pre-function area

Silent Auction winners pay and pick up their baskets during this time.

1:30 P.M.

CoventBridge Integrity Systems Partner Showcase Presentation: The New FWA Frontier in Value-Based Care

Governors' AB

PRESENTER: Mark Haskins, *Healthcare FWA Consultant at CoventBridge Integrity Systems*

In this session we will uncover why traditional "Fee-for-Service" investigative frameworks fail in an outcomes-driven healthcare ecosystem.

1:40 - 3:00 P.M.

Michigan Legislative Panel

Governors' AB

MODERATOR: Zoe Clark, *Associate General Manager, Political Director & It's Just Politics host, Michigan Public*

PANELISTS:

Senator Winnie Brinks, *Senate Majority Leader, District 29*

Senator Roger Hauck, *District 34*

Representative Brenda Carter, *District 53*

Representative Curtis VanderWall, *District 35*

Representative Greg VanWoerkom, *District 88*

Michigan legislators will discuss the hot topics of the summer that may still be brewing in Lansing.

3:00 P.M.

Break

3:15 - 4:30 P.M.

Private Reception with Health Plans, Legislators and Invited Partners

Tower AB Ballroom

(This is a ticketed event.)

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2026

All Friday sessions will be in Governors' AB.

8:15 A.M.

Breakfast Buffet

Governors' Pre-function area

Private Breakfast for Health Plans and State of Michigan

(By-invitation only)

Tower AB Ballroom

9:00 - 10:15 A.M.

Priorities of State Insurance Regulators

MODERATOR: Anita Fox, Director, Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services

PANELISTS:

Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer, Esq., CPCU, CLU, Director, Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation

Ann Gillespie, Director, Illinois Department of Insurance

Brian Webb, Director, Health and Life Policy, National Association of Insurance Commissioners

What are the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' priorities for the next two years under a Trump Administration? What upcoming NAIC model laws and new state health insurance regulations should health care stakeholders be aware of? Insights will be gleaned from leading state insurance regulators across the country on NAIC priorities for upcoming regulatory changes in health insurance.

10:15 A.M.

Stretch Break

10:30 A.M.

Looking Back, Leading Forward: A Chat with Michigan Leadership

MODERATOR: Dominick Pallone, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Health Plans

PRESENTER: Amy Epkey, Interim Director, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

11:30 A.M.

Final Prize Drawing and Adjourn

Dawn Dorsch, DENCAP Dental Plans and MAHP Annual Conference Chair

For information on things to do and places to eat in the Traverse City area:

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