



**Task Force on Innovations in State Health Systems**  
Denver, Colorado, August 20 & 21

**Friday, August 20,**

- 2:30 p.m. **Registration, Halcyon Hotel - Cherry Creek**
- 3 – 3:30 p.m. **Welcome and Introductions**  
Task Force co-chairs and NCSL staff will facilitate group introductions.
- 3:30 - 5 p.m. **Strengthening Public Health: The Pandemic and Beyond**  
**Speaker:** Gretchen Hammer, Founder, Public Leadership Consulting Group  
This session will highlight the role public health has in supporting our health system and improving health outcomes. Expert faculty will discuss the legislative role in coordinating across various sectors and leveraging new federal funding opportunities to support public health.
- 5:30 p.m. **Reception, Halcyon Hotel - Cherry Creek**  
Task Force members and sponsors will meet on the hotel's rooftop for a reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres.

**Saturday, August 21**

- 8 – 9 a.m. **Breakfast, Halcyon Hotel - Cherry Creek**  
Task force members and sponsors will kick off the day with breakfast and time to network.
- 9 – 9:15 a.m. **Travel to NCSL Offices, 7700 E. First Place**  
NCSL has arranged for a bus to take the group to the NCSL offices. Attendees leaving on Saturday will check-out of the hotel and bring their luggage.
- 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. **Public Health Investments and Innovations, NCSL Offices, 7700 E. First Place**  
**Speakers:** Paul K. Halverson, DrPH, FACHE, Founding Dean of the Indiana University Richard Fairbanks School of Public Health  
Glen Mays, PhD, MPH, Chair, Department of Health Systems, Management & Policy, Colorado School of Public Health  
This discussion will focus on public health investments and strategies that lead to long-term savings for our health care systems, incorporating lessons learned from the pandemic and beyond. Attendees will hear from expert faculty and have time to engage in roundtable discussion.
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 12:30 – 1:45 p.m. **Priority Setting**  
Task Force members and sponsors will participate in a priority setting activity to identify priorities and Task Force meeting topics for 2021-2022.
- 1:45 – 2 p.m. **Wrap Up and Closing**

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