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Task Force on Innovations in State Health Systems
Sunday, July 29, 1:30-5pm
JW Marriott, Diamond 8

Summary: The Task Force explores a variety of issues and opportunities state policymakers face as they reform their own health system. The programming and roundtable discussion highlights state innovations and provides an opportunity for members to share their ideas.

Presiding: Delegate Dan Morhaim, Maryland, Task Force Co-Chair
Senator Deb Soholt, South Dakota, Task Force Co-Chair

1:30-1:45 **Introductions and Opening Remarks**
Delegate Dan Morhaim and Senator Deb Soholt will provide background on the work of the task force, past meetings and priorities. Members and sponsors will have the opportunity for brief introductions.

1:45-3:15 p.m. **Innovative Strategies to Address Substance Use Disorders**
With more than 42,000 U.S. deaths associated with opioids in 2016, many states have taken an “all hands-on deck” approach. This session will explore innovations and new ways to approach various aspects of this multifaceted issue.

- Benjamin F. Miller, Psy.D., Chief Strategy Officer, Well Being Trust
- Mimi Martinez McKay, Deputy Director, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health

3:15-3:30 p.m. **Break**

3:30-4:45 p.m. **Round Table Discussion**
Task Force members and sponsors will have the opportunity to engage in a group discussion and share state innovations related to substance misuse and the following topic areas:

- Behavioral health and primary care integration
- Harm reduction strategies
- Prevention efforts

4:45-5:00 p.m. **Wrap up/ Closing Comments**

7:00 p.m. **Task Force Dinner**
The Palm Los Angeles
1100 S Flower St, Los Angeles, CA 90015

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