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DR. RON J. ANDERSON

President and CEO of Parkland Health & Hospital System

On

HISPANIC HEALTH CARE IN AMERICA

PERSPECTIVES ON IMPERATIVES, CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

As politicians on both sides of the border continue to debate immigration policy, U.S. health care institutions are struggling under the challenge of identifying, meeting, and financing the health care needs of the growing Hispanic population.

U.S. health care providers, public health institutions, employers, health care payers and others increasingly report concern and frustration over a range of special operational, legal, and financial demands of caring for migrant and certain other Hispanics in the United States.

Centers for Disease Control statistics highlight a number of concerning health care trends within the Hispanic population of the United States. Hispanics or Latinos have disproportionately high prevalence of and risk factors for conditions such as asthma, COPD, HIV/AIDS, obesity, suicide, teenage pregnancy, tuberculosis (TB), accidental injury, heart disease, and others. Health care providers and others seeking to diagnose and care for Hispanics afflicted with these and other conditions often must overcome a variety of legal, cultural, economic, social and other practical obstacles to deliver necessary care while struggling to finance the cost of delivering that care. U.S. Census Bureau and Centers For Disease Control studies document that Hispanics living in the United States are significantly more likely than non-Hispanic whites or blacks to be uninsured or underinsured.

Dr. Ron J. Anderson confronts these and other Hispanic health care challenges daily as a treating physician of internal medicine and as the President and CEO of Parkland Health & Hospital System, the general public hospital for Dallas County, Texas and the primary teaching hospital for the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, as well as a tireless advocate for the uninsured.

Named the most powerful physician-executive in the healthcare industry by Modern Physician in 2005, Dr. Anderson also works tirelessly to improve access for the uninsured. He has served as a member of the Kaiser Commission on the Future of Medicaid; as past chairman of: the Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council, the Texas Association of Public and Non-Profit Hospitals, the Texas Board of Health, the National Association of Public Hospitals, the National Public Health and Hospital Institute, and the Texas Hospital Association; and numerous other health industry leadership roles.

For these and other contributions toward the promotion of health care access, quality and other improvements in the health of people, Dr. Anderson has received the Ohtli Award from the Mexican Consulate; the American Public Health Association Award for Excellence, the American Hospital Association's 2004 Award of Honor, the first-ever Annual Ron J. Anderson, M.D., Healthcare Servant Leadership Award from the Alliance for Healthcare Excellence, the Boone Powell, Sr. Award of Excellence, the J. Erik Jonsson Ethics Award from The Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility and others.

OUR EXPERT PANELISTS

Speaker: Ron Anderson, M.D., *Parkland Health & Hospital System*, Dallas, Texas,
Moderator: Cynthia Marcotte Stamer, *Glast, Phillips & Murray, P.C.*, Dallas, Texas.

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