

**THE COMMONWEALTH FUND  
2014 INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON HEALTH CARE POLICY**

**“Caring for High Need/High Cost Patients: The Test of a High Performing Health Care System”**

**The St. Regis Hotel  
Sixteenth and K Streets, NW  
Washington, D.C.  
November 19-21, 2014**

**Wednesday, November 19**

**6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.**

**Reception in the State Salon**

**7:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

**Dinner in the Astor Ballroom**

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

*David Blumenthal*, President of The Commonwealth Fund

**Opening Keynote Address**

**“A Vision for a High Performing and Sustainable Health Care System”**

**The Honorable Richard G. Frank**

Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Dinner**

**Thursday, November 20**

**St. Regis Hotel**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

**Health Ministers’ Private Breakfasts with Harkness Fellows**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

**Continental Breakfast in the Chandelier Room**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.**

**Astor Ballroom**

**Welcome and Introductory Remarks**

Moderator: *David Blumenthal*, The Commonwealth Fund

**Presentation of the 2014 International Health Policy Survey of Older Adults in 11 Countries**

*Robin Osborn and Donald G. Moulds*, The Commonwealth Fund

**Health Ministers’ Panel: Perspectives on the Policy Context of the Survey Findings**

*The Honorable Richard G. Frank*, Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, United States

*Professor Dr. Jean-Luc Harousseau*, Chair, Haute Autorité de Santé, France

*The Honorable Annette Widmann-Mauz*, Parliamentary State Secretary for Health, Germany

*Lord Ara Darzi*, Professor and Director, Institute of Global Health Innovation, Imperial College

*The Honorable Pascal Strupler*, Secretary of State for Health, Switzerland

*The Honorable Peter Dunne*, MP, Associate Minister of Health, New Zealand

*The Honorable Agneta Karlsson*, State Secretary for Health Care, Public Health and Sport, Sweden

*The Honorable Lisbeth Normann*, State Secretary for Health and Care Services, Norway

*Ms. Janet Anderson*, PSM, First Assistant Secretary, Australian Department of Health

*Dr. Andrew Boozary*, Special Adviser to the Minister of Health and Long Term-Care, Ontario

*Mr. Patrick Jeurissen*, Adviser for Policy and Strategy, Ministry of Health, The Netherlands

**Discussion**

**Thursday, November 20 (continued)**  
**St. Regis Hotel**

**9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Coffee Break in the State Salon**

**10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Astor Ballroom**  
**Ministers' Policy Roundtable I:**  
**“Re-Thinking the Health Care System For High Need/High Cost Patients”**  
Moderator: *David Blumenthal*, The Commonwealth Fund

*Dr. Linda Elam, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Disability, Aging and Long-Term Care, United States*  
*Lord Ara Darzi, Professor and Director, Institute of Global Health Innovation, Imperial College*  
*The Honorable Peter Dunne, MP, Associate Minister of Health, New Zealand*  
*The Honorable Agneta Karlsson, State Secretary for Health Care, Public Health and Sport, Sweden*  
*Ms. Helen Angus, Associate Deputy Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, Ontario*

**Discussion**

**11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Ministers' Policy Roundtable II:**  
**“Health Reform: Achieving Value In Health Care”**  
Moderator: *David Blumenthal*, The Commonwealth Fund

*The Honorable Annette Widmann-Mauz, Parliamentary State Secretary for Health, Germany*  
*The Honorable Pascal Strupler, Secretary of State for Health, Switzerland*  
*The Honorable Lisbeth Normann, State Secretary for Health and Care Services, Norway*  
*The Honorable Dr. Lam Pin Min, Minister of State for Health, Singapore*  
*Ms. Janet Anderson, First Assistant Secretary, Australian Department of Health*

**Discussion**

**12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Private Working Lunch for Health Ministers and Designates in the State Salon, hosted by**  
**The Honorable Bill Corr, Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

**12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch in the Chandelier Room**

**1:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Astor Ballroom**  
**Panel I. Caring for High Need/High Cost Patients**  
Moderator: *Alan Weil*, Health Affairs

*Gerard F. Anderson, Johns Hopkins University (United States)*  
*Samir K. Sinha, Mount Sinai and the University Health Network Hospitals (Ontario, Canada)*  
*Mats Bojestig, Jönköping County Council (Sweden)*  
*Timothy G. Ferris, Partners HealthCare (United States)*  
*Isabelle Durand-Zaleski, Hôpital Henri Mondor (France)*

**Discussion**

**3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Coffee Break in the State Salon**

**Thursday, November 20 (continued)**  
**St. Regis Hotel**

**3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Astor Ballroom**

**Panel II. Policy Roundtable: End-of-Life Care: Quality, Choices, and Costs**  
Moderator: *Julie Rovner*, Kaiser Health News

*Ezekiel J. Emanuel*, University of Pennsylvania (United States)  
*Dennis Cox*, Liverpool Care Pathway Review Panel (England)  
*Jean-Luc Harousseau*, Haute Autorité de Santé (France)

**Discussion**

**6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.**

**Reception in the State Salon**

**7:15 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**

**Dinner in the Astor Ballroom**

**John M. Eisenberg, M.D., International Lecture:**

*Building a Nation for All Ages: Transforming Singapore's Health Care System for the Future*

**The Honorable Dr. Lam Pin Min, Minister of State for Health, Singapore**

*Introduced by Robin Osborn*, The Commonwealth Fund

**Friday, November 21**  
**The St. Regis Hotel**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

**Continental Breakfast in the Chandelier Room**

**8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.**  
**Astor Ballroom**

**Welcome and Introductory Comments**  
*Robin Osborn*, The Commonwealth Fund

**8:40 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Astor Ballroom**

**Panel III. Stroke and Dementia: Achieving Improved Quality and Patient Experiences, Better Outcomes, and Lower Costs**  
Moderator: *Bradford H. Gray*, The Urban Institute

*Tony Rudd, CBE*, King's College London (*Stroke*)  
*Sara Evans-Lacko*, King's College London/and  
*Sube Banerjee*, Brighton and Sussex Medical School (*Dementia*)

**10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

**Coffee Break in the State Salon**

**Friday, November 21 (continued)**  
**The St. Regis Hotel**

**10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**  
**Astor Ballroom**

**Panel IV. Maximizing the Value of Formal and Informal Caregivers**  
Moderator: *Nigel Edwards*, The Nuffield Trust

*Elias A. Mossialos*, London School of Economics (United Kingdom)  
*Joshua M. Wiener*, RTI International (United States)  
*Karsten Vrangbaek*, University of Copenhagen (Denmark)  
*Sharda Nandram*, Nyenrode Business Universiteit (Netherlands)

**Discussion**

**12:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

**Closing Remarks**  
*Donald Moulds*, The Commonwealth Fund

**12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Buffet Lunch in the Chandelier Room**