

## Expert Source Availability for Journalists & Speaking Engagements: Copay Foundations, Healthcare Reform, Patient Education & Advocacy, How to Handle Medical Hardships

Expert sources from a variety of nationally recognized health services backgrounds comprise HealthWell's Board of Directors and staff. Journalists and others seeking experts for comment and speaking engagements on the following topics should contact Ginny Dunn, at 240-632-5309 or Ginny.Dunn@HealthWellFoundation.org.

- Impact of the Affordable Care Act on patients' ability to access and afford care, particularly with regard to newly insured and underinsured patients with medical hardships (chronic illnesses)
- Financial burdens on seriously and chronically ill patients, both the micro view of how individual patients are affected and the macro issues of access to care, barriers to treatment, patient compliance and health outcomes.
- History and operations of copay foundations, patient assistance programs, and reimbursement hotlines.
- Health care consumer advocacy, patient education and advocacy, patient care and clinical experience
- National and state health care reform efforts and their component parts, including the
  interrelationship between health care cost and quality, payment reform and the roles of
  the various stakeholders.
  - Health care system reform, including accountable care organizations and patientcentered medical homes.
  - Health care mergers, acquisitions and financing.
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- Health insurance enrollment, underwriting, and benefit design
- Risk management

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