

2026 Annual Conference

The Employer Advantage: The Keys to Unlocking Your Power

Philadelphia DoubleTree Hotel, Thursday, June 4, 2026

- 7:30 – 8:30 Registration & Continental Breakfast; Exhibits Open
- 8:30 – 8:45 Welcome and Opening Remarks: Keys to the Journey
- 8:45 – 9:15 Regulation, Reform, and Employer Readiness: A Washington Briefing
Matthew Muma, Senior Counsel, Health Policy, American Benefits Council
- 9:15 – 9:45 The Chamber View: The Impact of Healthcare on Regional Competitiveness
Jim Rhodes (moderator), VP, HIF Fund Governance & Executive Director, PERMA Risk Management Services
Luke Bernstein, President & CEO, PA Chamber of Business and Industry
Michael Quaranta, President, Delaware State Chamber of Commerce
- 9:45 – 10:10 Unlocking Compliance Power: Managing Fiduciary Risk in a New Era of Scrutiny
Jamie Greenleaf, Co-Founder, Fiduciary In A Box
Julie Selesnick, Executive Director, Legal and Compliance, Judi Group
- 10:10 – 10:30 Break & Exhibits
- 10:30 – 11:00 From Information to Impact: Empowering Employers Through Actionable Analytics
Dare Henry-Moss, Director, Benefits Analytics and Evaluation, Comcast
Paul Coty, VP, Total Rewards Analytics, Cognition Analytics
- 11:00 – 11:50 Direct Hospital Contracting: The Keys to Building a Win/Win Strategy
Dave Houston (moderator), Growth Executive / National Director of Business Development, Imagine360
Rebecca Adkins, SVP Enterprise Population Health, Jefferson Health
Heather Gelting, Executive Director, PAISBOA Health Benefit Trust
James Startare, Vice President, Benefits, Aramark
- 11:50 – 12:00 Special Remarks
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch Break & Exhibits
- 1:00 – 1:05 Unlocking the Afternoon
- 1:05 – 1:45 Primary Care as a Key to Unlocking Better Outcomes For Employers
Tom Belmont (moderator), President & CEO, GPBCH
Reetika Kumar, MD, SVP Chief Customer Product, Clinical Solutions & Pharmacy Services, Independence Blue Cross
Lindsey Tauber, Sr. Director Employee Benefits, Northwestern Mutual
Joseph Teel, MD, Chief, Regional Primary Care, Penn Medicine, University of Pennsylvania Health System
- 1:45 – 2:20 Navigating Pharmacy Spend: Keys to Transparency, Access and Sustainable Cost Control
Josh Golden (moderator), Senior Vice President of Strategy, Judi Health | Capital Rx
Lauren Gazonas, Sr. Director, Total Rewards, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Maria Scheeler, Executive Director/Fund Administrator, Teamsters Health & Welfare Fund of Philadelphia

- 2:20 – 2:35 Break & Exhibits
- 2:35 – 3:05 The Accountable Partner Model: The Key to Solving Point Solution Fatigue
 Dany Matar (moderator), Chief Operating Officer, Color
 Samantha Boyd, Benefits Director, Five Below
 Christine Hale, MD, Chief Medical Officer, US Benefits, Gallagher
- 3:05 - 3:20 A Key to Engagement: Integrating Physical and Digital Needs in Benefits Administration
 Jen Peery, Vice President, Growth & Enablement, Empyrean
- 3:20 – 4:00 Finding the Master Key: Aligning Benefits and Culture
 Kathryn Rider (moderator), AVP of Benefits, The Campbell’s Company
 Jennifer Arches, Head of Global Benefits, Susquehanna International Group
 Christopher Ballard, Sr Vice President, Director of Total Rewards, WSFS Bank
 Ginger Miller, Director of Health and Benefits, Utz Quality Foods
- 4:00 – 4:15 Wrap-up
- 4:15 – 5:30 Reception

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