

Central Pennsylvania Regional Rural Health Summit

Common Challenges. Local Differences.
Shared Solutions.

Bedford, Blair, Centre, Franklin, Fulton,
Huntingdon, Juniata, and Mifflin Counties

Monday, June 23, 2025
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Juniata College
1700 Moore Street
Huntingdon, PA 16652

AGENDA

Agenda	Location	Time
Registration, Continental Breakfast, and Networking Wifi Access Username: JC-Guest Juniata Password: MountainDay!	Brumbaugh Academic Center (BAC) - Lobby	8:00 am
Welcome to Conversations on Common Ground and Community Strength <ul style="list-style-type: none">James Troha, Ph.D., President and Lauren Bowen, Ph.D., Provost, Juniata College, Huntingdon, PAMark Stephens, MD, Professor and Associate Dean for Medical Education, University Park Regional Campus, Penn State College of Medicine, State College, PALisa Davis, MHA, Director and Outreach Associate Professor of Health Policy and Administration, Pennsylvania Office of Rural Health, University Park, PA	BAC - Alumni Hall	9:00 am
Driving Decisions Through Data Debra Bogen, MD, Pennsylvania Secretary of Health, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Harrisburg, PA Moderator: Lauren Bowen, Ph.D.	BAC - Alumni Hall	9:15 am
Orientation to Small Work Groups and Transition Mark Stephens, MD	BAC - Alumni Hall	9:45 am
Work Group Conversations: Work-to-Date Women’s Health & Maternity Care Work Group Facilitators: Alonna Querns, MD, Resident, University Park Regional Campus, Penn State College of Medicine, State College, PA; Sherri Peeler, Doula, Belleville, PA; and Eva Clark, RN, UPMC Altoona, Altoona, PA Government Liaison: Secretary Debra Bogen, MD; and Sara Goulet, Special Assistant, Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Harrisburg, PA	BAC C210	10:00 am



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Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Work Group Facilitators: Kelly Maffia, LCSW, Broad Top Area Medical Center, Broad Top, PA; Felicia Stehley, RN, Community Care Behavioral Health, State College, PA; and Marty Keeney, MD, Psychiatrist, Huntingdon, PA: Government Liaisons: Angie Roland, Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Harrisburg, PA; and Kelly Primus, Deputy Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, Harrisburg, PA	BAC C116	10:00 am
Aging Work Group Facilitators: Kevin Hancock, Independent Consultant, Ph.D. Candidate, Harrisburg, PA; Randy Nolen, Director of Field Operations, Office of Long-Term Living, Harrisburg, PA; and Connie Brode, Executive Director, Area Agency on Aging, Bedford, PA Government Liaisons: Jason Kavulich, Secretary of Aging, Pennsylvania Department of Aging, Harrisburg, PA; Lawrence Appel, MD, Medical Director, Office of Long-Term Living, Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Harrisburg, PA; Glenda Ebersole, Policy Director, Pennsylvania Department of Aging, Harrisburg, PA; and Meaghan Abbott, Director Alzheimer's, Dementia and Related Disorders, Pennsylvania Department of Aging, Harrisburg, PA	BAC C212	10:00 am
Access and Transportation Work Group Facilitators: Wendy Melius, Director, Center for Community Action, Bedford, PA; Jordan Anthony, Executive Director, Southern Alleghenies EMS Council, Altoona, PA; and Anthony Molinari, Director of Transportation, Area Agency on Aging, Bedford, PA Government Liaisons: Robert Bonacci, MD, Special Advisor, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Harrisburg, PA	BAC C109	10:00 am
Get Lunch and Join Us for the Lunch Panel!	Baker Refectory	11:30 am
Expanding Care to Meet Community Needs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jason Kavulich, Secretary of Aging, Pennsylvania Department of Aging, Harrisburg, PA • Louise Yoder, Executive Director, The Central Pennsylvania Clinic, Belleville, PA • Nicole Payonk, Policy & Advocacy Coordinator, Pennsylvania Coalition for Oral Health, Delmont, PA • Mark Stephens, MD Moderator: Lisa Davis, MHA	Ellis Hall - Baker Refectory	12:00 pm

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Advancing the Healthcare Workforce at Juniata College <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominick Peruso, Ph.D., Associate Provost • Sarah Worley, Ph.D., Director, Community Engaged Learning and Professor of Communication • Liz Mansberger, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Biology and Chair of Health Professions, Juniata College, Huntingdon, PA Moderator: Lauren Bowen, Ph.D.	Ellis Hall - Baker Refectory	1:00 pm
Break/Return to Workgroup Locations Snacks available in Brunbaugh Academic Center Lobby	BAC Lobby	1:45 pm
Re-convene in Work Groups	Various Locations	2:00 pm
Work Group Report Outs, Vision, Goals, Actions, Timelines, and Larger Group Q&A and Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women’s Health & Maternity Care • Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder • Aging • Access and Transportation Moderator: Mark Stephens, MD	BAC - Alumni Hall	2:45 pm
Next Steps for Meeting the Needs of Rural Communities Valerie Arkoosh, MD, Secretary, Department of Human Services, Harrisburg, PA Thank You and Plans for Reconvening Winter 2025 Lauren Bowen, Ph.D.	BAC - Alumni Hall	3:45 pm
Adjourn	BAC - Alumni Hall	4:00 pm