

UPDATE for the Community



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Earlier this month, I had the pleasure of presenting at the National Employer Leadership Seminar, an invitation-only event sponsored by the Network for Regional Healthcare Improvement. The goal of the seminar was to share best practices in engaging purchasers to move the market to purchasing for value. There were many opportunities to talk about success in our state. However, despite our many accomplishments as a state, Washington is not a national leader in reporting transparently on total cost of care. [Read more from our executive director.](#)

ALLIANCE UPDATES

- [Correction to flu immunization results in the Community Checkup](#)
- [Washington Policy Center's 2016 Solutions Summit \(May 18-19, 2016\)](#)

Correction to flu immunization results in the Community Checkup

The Washington Health Alliance was informed in April 2016 that the flu immunization results supplied by the WA State Department of Health inadvertently included people who had ever received an influenza immunization, rather than only including people who had received this immunization during the 2014 measurement year. The corrected results in the table below reflect flu immunizations received during the 2014 calendar year by county. We apologize for any confusion this error may have caused. [View updated flu vaccination results on the Community Checkup website.](#)

Washington Policy Center's 2016 Solutions Summit (May 18-19, 2016)

More than 600 policymakers, business owners, community leaders and citizens will be gathering May 18-19 in back-to-back half-day policy conferences in Bellevue and the Tri-Cities to discuss solutions to our state's most pressing issues, including health care reform. [Learn more about the Solutions Summit.](#)

UPCOMING EVENT

CPIN webinar: Choosing Wisely at Group Health and Swedish
June 22, 2016, 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. [Register for webinar](#)

Presented by: Chris Dale, MD, MPH and Matt Handley, MD

This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™.

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Choosing Wisely

Choosing Wisely is a campaign designed to provide easy-to-understand guides for getting better, safer, more effective care. It is a partnership between the Alliance, The American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM), the Washington State Medical Association and others. [Learn more.](#)

Visit the Community Checkup website

The Community Checkup website helps consumers make informed choices by giving them access to a robust and accessible supply of data and resources. [Learn more.](#)

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