# Health Policy Year in Review

and What Lies Ahead in 2018



March 8, 2018 • 8 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

#### **AGENDA**

8 — 8:30 a.m. **Registration and Breakfast** 

8:30 — 8:35 a.m. Welcome and Opening Comments, Cheryl DeMars

8:35 — 9:35 a.m. **ACA Update, John Barlament** 

9:35 — 9:50 a.m. **Networking Break** 

9:50 — 10:40 a.m. **Health Compliance Update, John Barlament** 

10:40 — 11:25 a.m. Top Health Policy Issues in Wisconsin & Illinois, Michael Best Strategies

11:25 — 11:30 a.m. Closing Comments & Adjourn, Cheryl DeMars

#### FEATURED SPEAKERS



# John Barlament, Partner, Quarles & Brady LLP

John Barlament is the Chair of Quarles & Brady Data Privacy & Security industry team. He is an author of one of the country's leading manuals on the HIPAA privacy and security rules, HIPAA Portability, Privacy & Security (Thomson Reuters / EBIA), as well as other seminal publications including A Primer on Online Privacy (Wisconsin Lawyer magazine) and International Guide to Privacy (American Bar Association).

Barlament is recognized as a national leader in this emerging and constantly changing area of law. He has been quoted in leading publications including The Wall Street Journal and interviewed by national media including National Public Radio about privacy, data breach and cybersecurity matters.

For multi-employer plans, Barlament is one of the few attorneys in the country who has limited his practice to representing the plans and their trustees on a "sole counsel" basis. That is, in order to ensure consistency in advice among multiemployer plan clients, Barlament does not represent "management trustees" or "labor trustees" - instead, he represents both, with no bias towards either side.

Barlament prides himself on staying abreast of state-of-the-art industry practices and translating complex and intersecting areas of law into practical, plain-English advice - all to help clients efficiently and effectively meet challenges arising in these rapidly changing areas of law.



## Karen Timberlake, Health Policy Consultant, Michael Best Strategies

Karen E. Timberlake is senior advisor at Michael Best Strategies LLC, where she focuses on shared value consulting, sustainable community development and health system innovation. Before joining Michael Best Strategies, Timberlake was the director of the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute and an associate professor at the UW School of Medicine and Public Health. She previously served as Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and as director of the Office of State Employment Relations.



## Nathan Houdek, Principal, Michael Best Strategies

Nathan Houdek is a senior member of Michael Best Strategies, where he leverages more than a decade of experience in public affairs and government relations to support clients' interests. He serves on Michael Best Strategies' Shared Value Consulting Team to help clients identify opportunities that lead to local business growth and create significant, positive societal impact.

Houdek brings a unique knowledge of public affairs, communications, strategy and political campaign experience to his role with Strategies, most recently serving as chief of staff to State Sen. Jennifer Shilling, the minority leader in the Wisconsin State Senate. Houdek also previously served as director of legislation and advocacy for the Wisconsin Association of Health Plans.



# Stephanie Vojas, Principal, Michael Best Strategies

Stephanie Vojas has extensive experience in government relations and strong ties to the Illinois political community. Prior to joining Michael Best Strategies, Vojas served as general counsel and vice president of government relations at the Associated Beer Distributors of Illinois. She also served as director of government relations at the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association.

A registered lobbyist with an outstanding legislative success record, Vojas has built strong relationships on both sides of the aisle with policy-makers at state, county and local levels in Illinois.