## Rural Health Clinic Conference

**Tuesday, September 29**

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| 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. | Keynote speaker (60m)  
Rural health clinic – Reimbursement and operational strategies  
*Ralph Llewelly, Eide Bailly LLP partner* |
| 2:15 – 3:30 p.m. | Plenary Session (75 m)  
*How RHCs can become Veteran’s Choice Program providers*  
*Hal Blair, TriWest Healthcare Alliance deputy program manager*  
*Gina Capra, Veterans Health Administration, Office of Rural Health director*  
*Jim Jones, Health Net Federal Services, Provider Network Management director* |
| 3:30 – 3:45 p.m. | Break |
| 3:45 – 5 p.m. | Concurrent session A  
**Colorado’s RHCs improving processes, experience, and viability**  
Jen Dunn, Sara Leahy  
Courtnay Ryan, DeeAnn Sierra |
|               | Concurrent session B  
**Developing an RHC performance improvement and benchmarking dataset**  
John Gale |

- **Room & Moderator**: Van Horn AB / Michelle Mills  
- **Room & Moderator**: Benton / GN

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| 8 – 9:15 a.m.| Concurrent session C  
*It’s who is on your bus that matters*  
Greg Paris |
|              | Concurrent session D  
*RHC partnerships to improve patient care and payer mix opportunities*  
Julene McAlister |
|              | Break |
| 9:15 – 10:45 a.m. | Concurrent session E  
**Telemedicine: Rural health realities**  
Julian Rivera |
|              | Concurrent session F  
**Emerging policy and service delivery updates**  
Wakina Scott, PhD |
|              | Break |
| 10:45 – 11 a.m. | Plenary Session (45 min)  
*RHC annual evaluation including QAPI*  
*Gail Nickerson, Adventist Health director* |

- **Room & Moderator**: Empire A / Darrold Bertsch  
- **Room & Moderator**: Empire B / Sally Buck

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* all general sessions take place in the Chicago room

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Rural health transformation: From surviving to thriving  
*Toby Freier, New Ulm Medical Center president* |
| 2:45 – 3:15 p.m. | Break                                                                |
| 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. | National legislative update  
*Maggie Elehwany, JD, National Rural Health Association government affairs and policy vice president* |
| 4:15 – 5 p.m. | General session (45 m)  
The new CHCAH-FQHC parent model  
*Joseph Woodin, Gifford Medical Center administrator* |
| 5 – 7 p.m.    | RHC-CAH networking reception                                          |