



2026 Annual Meeting

JUNE 16-17 2026

ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 16



8:00 AM – 9:30 AM REGISTRATION

9:30 AM – 9:45 AM WELCOME MESSAGE

Patty McMahon

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

JULIETTE PRICE

Chief Solutions Officer

11:00 AM – 11:15 AM BREAK

11:15 AM – 12:30 PM DR. ROBERT MARTINIANO

Senior Program Manager, Center for Health Workforce Studies

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM LUNCH

Networking & Gallery walk of posters

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM KATE DAVIDSON, LCSW

Director, Learning and Diffusion Group, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation

2:45 PM – 4:45 PM BREAKING ICE

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM ANNUAL MEETING

- Election of Board of Directors
- FLIPA Member Value & Leveraging Resources
- Key Project Updates

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM DINNER

7:00 PM ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Networking & Meet Friends at the Bar

ANNUAL MEETING

JUNE 17

8:00 AM – 9:25 AM BREAKFAST

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM KEYNOTE

Health Commissioner

Dr. James V. McDonald, M.D., M.P.H.

10:30 AM – 10:45 AM BREAK

10:45AM-12:30PM BREAKOUT

- BOARD MEETING
- PMC MEETING

12:30PM-1:00PM SNACKS

Wrap up & snacks for the road

ENJOY COFFEE FROM



**SALT
CITY**
COFFEE

**8:30AM-11:30 AM
EACH DAY**





A note from our CEO

Welcome to the 2026 FLIPA Annual Meeting

This year's theme, ***The Power of Partnership***, reflects what makes our work possible. Meaningful change happens when organizations, providers, community partners, and advocates come together around a shared commitment to improving the health and well-being of the people we serve.

Over the past year, we have seen firsthand how collaboration strengthens our communities, expands access to care, and creates new opportunities for innovation. The progress we celebrate today is not the result of any one organization, but of the collective efforts of partners working together toward a common goal.

Thank you for your dedication, your leadership, and your partnership. I look forward to reflecting on our accomplishments, learning from one another, and continuing to build a stronger future together.

In Partnership,

Patty McMahon

CEO



Event Speakers





Dr. Robert Martiniano

Robert Martiniano, DrPH, MPA, is the Senior Program Manager at the Center for Health Workforce Studies, which he joined in 2001. Dr. Martiniano has an extensive background in health workforce research, survey and evaluation

design, and project management. He is the lead staff on developing re-registration surveys, including analyzing RN and LPN data, on assessing RN production, and on conducting evaluations on a number of health workforce training initiatives. Dr. Martiniano is a current board member of the Hudson Mohawk AHEC and of the Health Workforce Collaborative and is involved on a number of community boards, including the Justice Center of Rensselaer County. He is an adjunct professor at the Russell Sage Colleges School of Management, teaching courses on strategic planning, program evaluation, and on research methods.



Juliette Price

Juliette serves as the Chief Solutions Officer at Helgerson Solutions Group (HSG) bringing creative problem solving and strategy to deliver breakthrough results for her clients. She deeply believes that solutions to our most complex issues can be designed through systems thinking, collaborative problem solving,

creating data-informed solutions, and bringing concepts and processes across sectors. She advises a wide variety of clients including providers & provider groups such as ACOs and IPAs, payers, start-ups, government agencies, social service providers, and others.

Her focus in health care is on building value-based care models, both clinically and fiscally, to advance better patient outcomes and reduce cost in health care. Her approach to building these models has enabled Juliette to lead extremely complex contract negotiations and win her clients fair and balanced value-based contracts that enable innovation and patient outcomes to flourish.

Juliette also focuses on using improvement science to help organizations improve and reach optimum performance. She is trained in the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)'s Breakthrough Improvement Model and routinely trains teams in the Model for Improvement and leads improvement collaboratives across many disciplines.



Kate Davidson

Kate Davidson is a nationally recognized leader in federal and state health policy and healthcare transformation. She applies implementation and quality improvement science to accelerate measurable improvements in patient outcomes across public and private healthcare systems.

Most recently, Kate led the Learning and Diffusion Group at the CMS Innovation Center, overseeing a team of 50 and a \$100 million annual portfolio supporting more than 50 value-based care payment models nationwide. She brought operational rigor to model design, implementation, and evaluation, strengthening evidence generation and accelerating scale across the healthcare ecosystem. Kate scaled nationally recognized initiatives such as the Healthcare Payment Learning & Action Network (HCP-LAN), aligning multi-payer stakeholders around patient-centered care, payment reform, and technology innovation. Under her leadership, CMS advanced data-driven tools including prospective market analytics, targeted participant recruitment strategies, peer-network learning collaboratives, positive deviance research, and rapid, pragmatic randomized controlled trials. These capabilities increased the speed of evidence generation and scaling into practice across both public and private sectors.

Kate began her career as a clinical social worker practicing in randomized clinical trials at the intersection of behavioral health, primary care, juvenile justice, and child welfare. That frontline experience anchors her approach to practical policy change, ensuring that reform is grounded in real-world care delivery.

Today, Kate leads Strategic Partnerships for Healthcare Transformation at the Duke-Margolis Institute for Health Policy, where she advances cross-sector collaboration to drive system-level change.

She holds degrees from Loyola University Maryland and Fordham University.



Dr. James V. McDonald

James V. McDonald, M.D., M.P.H., has served as New York State Commissioner of Health since January 2023. As Commissioner, he leads one of the nation's largest and most complex public health agencies, overseeing efforts to protect and improve the health of New Yorkers across the state.

Under his leadership, the New York State Department of Health has strengthened and modernized New York's public health system following the COVID-19 pandemic, reinforced its commitment to health equity, expanded public health preparedness efforts, and advanced science-based public health policy and communication. Dr. McDonald has also led initiatives focused on maternal and child health, healthcare access, overdose prevention, infectious disease response, and strengthening trust in public health information.

Prior to joining the New York State Department of Health in July 2022, Dr. McDonald served at the Rhode Island Department of Health from 2012 to 2022 in multiple leadership roles, including Interim Director of Health, Chief Administrative Officer of the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline, Medical Director for the COVID Unit, Medical Director for the Division of Healthcare Quality and Safety, and Medical Director for the Drug Overdose Prevention Program. He also served on the Governor's Task Force on Preventing Overdose Deaths.

Dr. McDonald holds faculty appointments at the University at Albany School of Public Health and the Brown University School of Public Health. He earned his Doctor of Medicine degree from Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine, completed his pediatric residency in the U.S. Navy, and completed his preventive medicine residency through the State University of New York. He earned his Master of Public Health degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Siena College.

Board certified in both pediatrics and preventive medicine, Dr. McDonald's career has included service as an officer in the U.S. Navy, private practice in rural communities experiencing healthcare shortages, and service with the Indian Health Service in the Navajo Nation, where he served as Medical Director of Outpatient Medicine in Chinle, Arizona.

In May 2024, Siena College awarded Dr. McDonald the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters in recognition of his exemplary achievement, leadership, and commitment to humanitarian ideals.

Breaking Ice

Breaking Ice is the award-winning theatre performance based program aimed at increasing belonging and inclusion. For more than two decades, Fortune 500 companies, healthcare systems, universities, and government organizations have trusted Breaking Ice to spark courageous dialogue and drive meaningful culture.

Our unique model blends professional theatre, research, and facilitated dialogue to explore how systemic inequities, unconscious bias, and everyday workplace dynamics impact collaboration, innovation, and organizational performance.



Our objective is to strengthen the relational and cultural infrastructure across our network of FQHC's, behavioral health organizations, and community based partners because operating within a value-based payment environment demands more than contractual alignment- it requires trust, shared accountability, and a collective identity rooted in our mission to serve underserved communities. The Breaking Ice session creates the conditions for that kind of courageous, system-level dialogue.

Participants will leave with re-energized, strategically aligned across sectors, and equipped with a renewed sense of collective purpose and commitment to action- within their organizations and across the FLIPA network. When our FQHCs, behavioral health providers, and social care partners are operating from a place of genuine connection and shared mission, we move from coordinated care on paper to integrated care in practice. That strategic cohesion is what drives better health outcomes for communities we exist to serve- and it is exactly what value-based payment model's reward.



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Our Mission

To be an organized, highly effective integrated delivery network of community health centers, behavioral health and social care partners that promotes an equitable, accessible, and integrated healthcare system that leads to improved overall health and well-being.

