

## **Healthcare Committee meeting, 5/10/22 at 2pm**

### **In attendance:**

Linda Mahan, Larimer  
Carol Merovka, Chaffee  
Barb Dungey, Arapahoe-Douglas  
Marilyn Ayers, Arapahoe-Douglas  
Bette Seeland, Boulder  
Karen Sheek, Montezuma  
Terri Tyler,  
LWVCO ED Beth Hendrix  
LWVCO Ops Mgr Laura Baker (recording notes)

### **Notes:**

Carol spent some time talking about what Chaffee County is/has been doing in regard to healthcare advocacy work.

The link to Lieutenant Governor Primavera's website page re: healthcare was shared in the chat:

<https://ltgovernor.colorado.gov/programs/office-of-saving-people-money-on-health-care>

Linda Mahan: Taskforce breakout rooms from 7:30-8:30 on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. These meetings will be used to inform and recruit new members. These can be chosen ahead of time and Laura will look into the logistics of letting people choose from options on screen in real time on Friday night.

Add to confirmation email – request for taskforce breakout (Laura will look into this).

Carol, as one example among a few, only wants to come to a taskforce meeting on Friday night (5/20/22). She doesn't need to register for the whole event, so we will need to email her a Zoom link to join the healthcare taskforce.

Carol is interested in surveying local leagues about their work on healthcare and who is leading.

For National Convention:

Healthcare table will need a tablecloth and people to staff the table

\*these volunteers do NOT need to be delegates

Linda: Need someone to represent a rural area of Colorado to speak about rural healthcare.

Next steps: Carol will connect with local leagues to see if they have a healthcare team or person with whom she can communicate.

### **Saved Zoom CHAT:**

14:05:39 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

Laura, you've done a great job providing what we need. Thank you!

14:10:27 From Terri Tyler to Everyone:

Came in late. What is the name of the website she's referring to?

14:12:23 From Laura Baker to Everyone:

<https://ltgovernor.colorado.gov/programs/office-of-saving-people-money-on-health-care>

14:12:37 From karensheek to Everyone:

Please share link to website you were referring to, Carol.

14:17:07 From Linda Mahan (she/her) to Everyone:

Thanks, Laura. I'll look for Carol to include this in the Forum along with her suggestion that we each look into our own hospital's list of costs.

14:20:15 From karensheek to Everyone:

Having an unstable internet along with computer problems so will be leaving.

14:33:51 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

Elaine Branjord's health care emails: I'm not receiving. I'm only receiving national committee HCR4US forum postings from Elaine. I need to ask Elaine to include me. ebranjord@gmail.com

14:40:56 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

One resource: How to make a prize wheel:

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/120823202474538792/>

14:41:21 From Beth Hendrix to Everyone:

We can buy one on Amazon for \$45, too

14:42:05 From Beth Hendrix to Everyone:

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14:42:11 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

More examples of making a prize wheel: <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/140806224286996/>

14:45:52 From Linda Mahan (she/her) to Everyone:

Linda Mahan<lmahan@bu.edu>

14:49:17 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

Getting a prize wheel from Amazon looks like a good idea. Here are their wheels for sale:

<https://www.amazon.com/Prize-Wheels/s?k=Prize+Wheels>

14:52:52 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

PNHP webinar free, open to the public, online May 23: Mon May 23 at 11:00 AM MT

Protect Medicare

Turn up the Heat on Medicare Privations, DCEs, REACH

Seniors will speak about the dangers of private equity interfering with the patient-doctor relationship, while Congressional Representatives will speak about what they have done, and what we should all plan to do, to protect our seniors.

Invited speakers include representatives from Jane Addams Senior Caucus, the California Alliance of Retired Americans, the Puget Sound Advocates for Retirement Action, and the Wisconsin chapter of Physicians for a National Health Program, as well as U.S. House Reps. Pramila Jayapal, Katie Porter, Mark Pocan, and Jan Schakowsky. Register here:

<https://pnhp.salsalabs.org/REACHlaunchwebinar/index.html>

14:55:15 From Terri Tyler to Everyone:

Where are you posting Linda?

14:55:39 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

Physicians for a National Health Plan (PNHP) has webinars and their recordings free online and available to the public without having to join PNHP. See [pnhp.org](http://pnhp.org) for more info.

14:57:05 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

Sign into LWVCO at [lwwcolorado.org](http://lwwcolorado.org), then choose MEMBERS from the menu, then select FORUMS, then choose the Health Care Committee forum

14:59:47 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

Health Care for All Colorado has worked for many years for universal coverage/single payer.

They're here: <https://www.healthcareforallcolorado.org/>

15:01:03 From Barbara Dungey LWV Arapahoe and Douglas Counties to Everyone:

Likewise, the Colorado Foundation for Universal Health Care is working for this too:

<https://couniversalhealth.org/>