The Affordable Care Act is one of the most significant pieces of legislation in recent decades particularly for human service and primary healthcare organizations and how they will deliver services going forward. And it is moving to implementation with lightening speed.

With the enactment of this new legislation there is a tremendous opportunity to create a more integrated and person-centered continuum of services- particularly for those individuals with complex needs. To capture the opportunity individually and collectively organizations must have a full appreciation of the implications and opportunities embedded in the Act. Secondly we must organize our thinking as a community and proactively manage the introduction of this legislation.

This session is designed to brief you about the aspects of the Act which impact you as service providers. We will also share with you the planning initiative we are undertaking this summer guided by Bailet Consulting- a Boston based firm and a cohort of agencies. The the opportunities created by the legislation, we will be focusing on crafting a stronger and more impactful model to deliver safety net services to individuals with complex needs. The lead sponsor of this process will be Jewish Healthcare Foundation. The Heinz Endowments, The Pittsburgh Foundation and The United Way of Allegheny County are also co-sponsors.