



The National Center
for Complex Health and Social Needs

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FIELD OF COMPLEX CARE TO COME TOGETHER AT 3RD ANNUAL “PUTTING CARE AT THE CENTER” CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO

National Center to release the Blueprint for Complex Care, a guide for advancing the field

The field of complex care will convene in Downtown Chicago during the first week of December at the third annual *Putting Care at the Center* conference. *Putting Care at the Center* is the only conference on complex care in America.

At the conference, the National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs and its partners will release the Blueprint for Complex Care, which will present a comprehensive picture of the field and a set of recommendations for its advancement. The conference’s keynote speaker, Caring Across Generations Co-Director Ai-jen Poo will discuss the parallels between complex care and other successful movements to transform care.

WHAT: *Putting Care at the Center 2018*, the only conference on complex care in America

WHEN: Wednesday through Friday, December 5-7, 2018
Day one begins with a cocktail reception at 6:00 PM, December 5, 2018
Day two begins with the Blueprint release at 8:30 AM, December 6, 2018
Day three begins with a keynote address at 7:00 AM, December 7, 2018

WHERE: The Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile
540 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL, 60611

WHO: National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs, an initiative of the Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers

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BACKGROUND:

Complex care is a person-centered approach to address the needs of people who experience combinations of medical, behavioral health, and social challenges that result in extreme patterns of healthcare utilization and cost. Putting Care at the Center is co-hosted this year by Rush University Medical Center and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation with generous support from the Peterson Center on Healthcare, Kaiser Permanente, the American Hospital Association, California Health Care Foundation, NowPow, and Cityblock.

About the National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs

The National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs, launched in 2016, aims to improve outcomes for patients with complex medical, behavioral, and social needs. The National Center works to coalesce the emerging field of complex care by bringing together a broad range of clinicians, researchers, policymakers, and consumers who are developing, testing, and scaling new models of team-based, integrated care. The National Center and its staff collaborate with other experts across the nation to develop best practices, inform policy, and foster an engaged and accessible community to develop this work and teach it to others. The National Center's founding sponsors are the Atlantic Philanthropies, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and AARP, and it is hosted by the Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers.

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