



2025 Virtual Fall Conference

Thursday October 16, 2025

2025 Fall Conference Recap

The **Senior Citizens' Foundation** held their 2025 Virtual Fall Conference on Thursday October 16, 2025. We had 245 people including speakers attend the 2025 Fall Conference.

The Sponsors for the 2025 Fall Conference were:

- **Aging and Long-Term Care Support Administration, (HCLA) Home and Community Living Administration**
- **AARP Washington**
- **Hearing Loss Association of Washington**
- **Retired Public Employees Chapter 2**
- **Washington Association of Area Agencies on Aging (W4A)**

The Ten Presenters with Power Point Presentations were the following:

- **Dr. Tao Kwan-Gett, State Health Officer, WA Dept. of Health, West Coast Health Alliance to uphold scientific integrity in Public Health**
- **Karen Tvedt, Washington League of Women Voters**

Caregiving Study by LWVWA

- **Lynne Korte, MPH, State Unit on Aging
Dementia Action Collaborative Update**
- **David Mancuso, Senior Research Scientist, DSHS Research and Data
Analysis Division**
- **Bea Rector, Assistant Secretary of HCLA
Reimagine DSHS -Focus on the Home and Community Living
Administration (HCLA)**
- **Shawn O'Neill and Melissa Rivera, Medicaid Program Division
Washington Apple Health Medicaid, Public Employees Benefits
Board & Health Care Authority Activity update**
- **Patty Kuderer, Washington State Insurance Commissioner
Medicare Advantage – Open Enrollment – Insurance Issues - 26
Legislative Proposals**
- **K.D. Chapman-See, Director of Office of Financial Management**
- **Traci Underwood, Director of Policy Development and Research, Economic
Opportunity Institute
2026 Proposed State Budget and Revenue Options**

Thank you to all of the Speakers for an excellent Conference. The goals were to prepare for the 2026 Legislative Session and to dig deeper and clarify major issues in Health Care and the Budget facing us in 2026. It was also an introduction of the West Coast Health Alliance, 2026 Health Care Enrollment Plan and pre-view of the 2026 State Budget.