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About MSU's Legislative Leadership Program and the Michigan Health Policy Group

MSU's Legislative Leadership Program invites new members of Michigan's House of Representatives and Michigan Senate to engage in interactive sessions with content experts, including university faculty and practitioners, in the brief time between election and their first legislative sessions.

At its 1994 inception, LLP was designed to create a forum and the resources to help newly elected legislators meet the challenges of serving in a state with term limits. The program was meant to help legislators forge links to university policy resources.

Since that time, LLP has evolved into a broadened opportunity to gain insights into concepts that affect statewide constituencies, into evidence-based information on emerging issues and into the art and science of governing in divided times, such as under state House co-speakerships.

At the same time, IPPSR has evolved as a hub for policy expertise, information and outreach, a center for survey research training and excellence and an opportunity for training for those who seek leadership through elected office or public service. The program is built upon a series of specially designed events, including presenters, researchers and facilitated discussions. Sessions are focused on topics of compelling interest, from the state's revenue stream, to its expenditures, K-12 education, demographics and innovations.

IPPSR is proud that LLP has hosted a majority of newly elected legislators from each party and draws support from the Legislature's highest officers. The program continues to build on MSU's long-standing tradition of providing leadership training to state and county officials, community leaders, and aspiring public officials.

The LLP is consistent with the policy and research education efforts conducted both on and off campus in of support state legislators, their staffs and their communities. It resides at IPPSR as companion to IPPSR's Public Policy and Education, the Michigan Political Leadership Program, the State of the State Survey and Office for Survey Research. LLP draws on the resources and leadership of each of these outstanding programs.

Emerging Issues: Health Policy

During 2018, health policy was identified as an emerging issue within the framework of IPPSR's educational offerings through the Legislative Leadership Program.

Additional focus was brought to Michigan health policymaking with the support of the Michigan Health Endowment Fund and MSU's Institute for Health Policy.

The Institute for Public Policy and Social Research builds problem-solving relationships among policymakers and researchers and applies best practices to issues facing the State of Michigan. IPPSR's unique mission combines public education and training programs with research on issues of public policy, survey research services and the initiation of public needs among diverse audiences. Programs include a focus on policy education and political leadership training.

Located within the College of Human Medicine, the Michigan State University Institute for Health Policy serves a unique role facilitating and supporting collaborative relationships among CHM faculty and researchers throughout campus. These collaborative activities inform policymakers, state agencies and others with a goal of improving health care delivery in Michigan.

This educational outreach allows IPPSR to meet its long-established educational missions bridging policy and practical applications of personal leadership, governing and economic growth. They also are in step with IPPSR's other enriching programs – including Public Policy Forums, Michigan Political Leadership Program, the Rosenthal Internship Awards, Office for Survey Research, State of the State Survey and the newest addition, the Michigan Policy Insiders Panel.

For more information about LLP and all other IPPSR programs, please contact Arnold Weinfeld, Interim Director, Institute for Public Policy and Social Research, 509 E. Circle Dr., Room 321, East Lansing, MI 48824. He can be reached by phone at (517) 355-6672 or by email at weinfeld8@msu.edu

Acknowledgments

IPPSR is proud of the many events and activities it undertakes throughout the year. They require exacting attention to detail, a strong desire to meet personal needs and an ability to answer the call to service and commitment.

Please join us in thanking those whose work may be behind the scenes, yet is still essential to this program and other IPPSR operations: Administrative Assistant Iris Taylor Harper and Secretary Milly Shiraev, Information Technologist Jes Sprague, Communications Manager Cynthia Kyle and Staff Student Assistant Tatiana Maine-Brown. Katharine Cusick assisted.

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At the state Capitol, IPPSR is grateful for the assistance of Senate Majority Leader Mike Shirkey, Senate Democratic Leader Jim Ananich, House Speaker Lee Chatfield and House Democratic Leader Christine Greig.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

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Arnold serves as the Interim Director of the Institute for Public Policy and Social Research (IPPSR) at Michigan State University as well as Director of Urban Policy Initiatives for University Outreach and Engagement.

At IPPSR, Weinfeld assists with the coordination of programs such as the Michigan Political Leadership Program, Legislative Leadership Programming, State of the State Survey and issue forums.

In his capacity at Outreach and Engagement, he works with the Center for Community and Economic Development as well as with other MSU faculty, local officials and community stakeholders to develop university-community partnerships.

Prior to joining UOE, Weinfeld served as CEO of the Prima Civitas Foundation, a community and economic development non-profit organization. He also has worked for the Michigan Municipal League in a number of key leadership positions.



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Dennis Paradis serves as Executive Director for the Michigan Health Policy Forum and as liaison between MSU and the State of Michigan for the Medicaid Enhanced Reimbursement (MER) program offered through the College of Human Medicine and of the College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is also directing an effort to develop a health policy educational program for legislators.

Paradis has a 50-year career working in the health policy at the state level. Some of his accomplishments include the Michigan Public Health Code, the Michigan HMO Statute, the Michigan Emergency Medical Services statute the Michigan Certificate of Need statutes, and Michigan's medical liability reform legislation.

He holds a bachelor's degree from MSU and a Masters of Public Health degree from the University of Michigan. In addition to serving as staff in the Michigan House of Representatives and the Michigan Senate, Paradis has worked in policy for the Michigan State Medical Society, the Michigan Hospital Association, the Michigan Association of HMOs (Now the Michigan Association of Health Plans) and the Michigan Osteopathic Association.

Paradis has received Awards from the Michigan Legislature, the Michigan Department of Community Health, the Michigan Primary Care Consortium, the Michigan Health and Hospital Association, the American Osteopathic Association and has received the Water F. Patenge Medal for public service from the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine.



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Maura Calsyn is the managing director of health policy at the Center for American Progress. In this capacity, she plays a leading role in American Progress' health policy development and advocacy efforts. She has authored and co-authored work published in *The New England Journal of Medicine*, *JAMA Internal Medicine*, *U.S. News & World Report*, and *The Hill*. Her work covers a range of topics, including Medicare and Medicaid payment reform, health care transparency, and trends in employer-sponsored insurance. She has also testified before the U.S. Congress.

Prior to joining American Progress, Calsyn was an attorney with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of the General Counsel. During her time there, she served as the department's lead attorney for several Medicare programs and advised the department on implementation of the Affordable Care Act. Before joining the Office of the General Counsel, Calsyn worked as a health care attorney at two international law firms and represented a wide variety of health care payers, providers, and manufacturers. Calsyn first worked in health policy as a health care legislative assistant for Rep. Anna Eshoo (D-CA) before attending law school.

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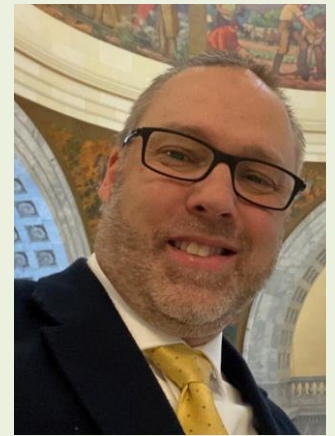
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As Regional Vice President, Government Affairs for the Midwest region, Don Nelson supervises state government affairs activities for 18 states for the Magellan enterprise. This includes extensive engagement with elected officials, agency leadership, and trade and community organizations throughout the Midwest on behalf of all of Magellan's lines of business.

Prior to his role at Magellan, Don Nelson spent 13 years with the University of Wisconsin-Madison. For 10 years, Don served as the director of state government affairs for the 42,000-student flagship campus long with more than 20,000 employees. As the chief legislative liaison and contact with the Governor, Don was responsible for navigating the university's \$2B budget through the legislative process. Major components of his work included setting tuition levels, obtaining federal and state funding for research and managing regulatory and legislative changes that affected higher education. Don's final three years with the university, he served as the chief of staff to the chief information officer (CIO) where he managed the vendor relationship program as well as elements of IT procurement process. Prior to his stint with the university, for eight years Don served in various legislative staff position with the Wisconsin Legislature.

Before Don's legislative time, he served eight years on active duty in the U.S. Air Force as a weapons loader on B-52's and F-16's. He later worked as an air traffic controller and an aircraft systems instructor. Don went on to serve another 15 years in the Air Force Reserve and Wisconsin Air National Guard as a public affairs specialist before retiring with 23 years of service.

Don obtained his bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in political science and mass communication. He later graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a Master of Business Administration. Don also completed the Program on Negotiation from Harvard Law School. He lives in Madison, Wisconsin with his wife Becky Henke.



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Prior to his current role, Antonelli led the clinical implementation of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan's Medicare Part D program, played a lead role in a state-wide generic drug campaign, mobilized a coalition of key Michigan businesses and organizations to address prescription drug cost concerns with federal legislators and served as dedicated pharmacist for General Motors and Delphi Automotive Systems accounts for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. Additional responsibilities have included physician education, securing and maintaining Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan's status as a continuing education provider through the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education and supporting other corporate pharmacy initiatives.

Prior to joining Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Antonelli practiced as a Clinical Pharmacist specializing in Critical Care at William Beaumont Hospital, in Royal Oak, Michigan.

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She has written for magazines, newsletters, newspapers, radio and online publications. She has taught journalism at Ohio State University, Wayne State University and Michigan State University.

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She is a third-year, pre-med student with an interest in women's health and environmental policy and has returned to work with IPPSR for her third academic year.

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