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Peterson Center on Healthcare Names Jay Want, MD as New Executive Director

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Dr. Want Brings Decades of Experience in Healthcare Delivery, Improvement Science, Data Transparency and Executive Leadership

New York, NY—The Peterson Center on Healthcare has named healthcare leader Jay Want, MD as its new Executive Director. Dr. Want will lead the Center’s expanding portfolio of initiatives and grants to identify high-performance models of healthcare, validate their impact on quality and cost, and facilitate their adoption on a national scale.

Dr. Want brings decades of experience in healthcare delivery, improvement science, data transparency and executive leadership. His background as a primary care physician further grounds the Center in its work to enable physicians, partnering with patients and care teams, to transform healthcare delivery from within the system. Formerly Chief Medical Officer and Board Chairman at the Center for Improving Value in Health Care, Dr. Want has significant expertise in creating public-private partnerships that support the transparency necessary for healthcare transformation. Dr. Want has also served as an Innovation Advisor for the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation and was the President and Chief Executive Officer of a management services organization that is now part of the Medicare Shared Savings ACO Program.

“We are very pleased to welcome Jay, who will lead our work to make high quality, more affordable healthcare a reality for all Americans,” said Michael A. Peterson, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Peter G. Peterson Foundation. “Jay’s deep experience in healthcare delivery, data transparency and innovation is a perfect fit for the Center’s mission of transforming U.S. healthcare into a high-performance system.”

“Making quality healthcare accessible and affordable for every American is an essentially important challenge for our nation’s future,” said Jay Want, MD. “I am thrilled to join the Peterson Center on Healthcare at a moment when the U.S. healthcare system is seeking solutions from the ground up. Focusing on the patient-provider relationship will enable us to seek, validate and spread care that improves outcomes and lowers costs nationwide.”

Dr. Want will begin in this new role on August 7. He succeeds Jeff Selberg, MHA, who has led the Center since it was launched in 2014. Under Jeff’s leadership, the Center established a range of initiatives, including efforts to monitor performance of the U.S. healthcare system, transform primary care and identify high-performance care for high-need patients. Mr. Selberg will continue to work with the Center going forward in a new advisory role.

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About the Peterson Center on Healthcare

The Peterson Center on Healthcare is a non-profit organization dedicated to making higher quality, more affordable healthcare a reality for all Americans. The organization is working to transform U.S. healthcare into a high-performance system by finding innovative solutions that improve quality and lower costs, and accelerating their adoption on a national scale. Established by the Peter G. Peterson Foundation, the Center collaborates with stakeholders across the healthcare system and engages in grant-making, partnerships, and research.



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