



# 2025 IRHA PUBLIC POLICY FORUM AGENDA

November 18, 2025 | Embassy Suites by Plainfield Airport

Time (ET)	Topics & Speakers
8:30-8:45 AM	<b>Welcome</b> Cara Veale, DHS, FACHE   CEO, Indiana Rural Health Association
8:45-9:30 AM	<b>Updates from FSSA</b> FSSA Secretary Mitch Roob
9:30-10:00 AM	<b>2026 Indiana Legislature Priorities</b> Keynote Perspective: Legislative Leadership or Executive Office
10:00AM-10:30PM	<b>Networking Break</b>
10:30 AM-11:30 AM	<b>National Policy Updates</b> Brock Slabach, National Rural Health Association
11:30AM-12:00 PM	<b>2026 IRHA Legislative Priorities</b> Dan Hardesty, IRHA Director of Government Affairs
12:00-1:00 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:00-2:00 PM	<b>Fireside Chat with Indiana Health Commission</b> Dr. Lindsey Weaver, Indiana Department of Health
2:00-3:00 PM	<b>HRSA Initiatives and Opportunities</b> Sarah Heppner, Senior Advisor and Associate Director
3:00 PM	<b>CLOSING REMARKS &amp; ADJOURN</b>

*\*Note: Times and sessions are subject to change*

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