

ANNUAL ISSUES SUMMIT

at Black & Veatch Conference Center at O.P. Chamber

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

1:00 pm

WHAT PUBLIC PURPOSE DOES THE REMODEL TAX SERVE?

- Chris Wally - President, Wally & Company
- Moderator: Kevin Walker - EVP & Chief Policy Officer, Overland Park Chamber



CHRIS WALLY | Wally has exclusively represented commercial office tenants and buyers in leasing and real estate transactions for 30+ years. His superpower is shifting the balance of power in commercial real estate to tenants by challenging the industry's landlord-centric norms. Since COVID, he has advised clients on how securing the 'right' space can help attract new talent and persuade existing staff to return to the office.

2:00 pm

ADJOURN

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Tuesday
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9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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Overland Park
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9001 W 110th St #150
Overland Park, KS 66210



KANSAS BUSINESS
ROUNDTABLE

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WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- **Bruce Witt** - Kansas Chief Advocacy Officer, Ascension Via Christi Health & KBR Board Chair



BRUCE WITT | For the past 16 years, Bruce Witt has led advocacy efforts in Kansas for Ascension Via Christi. In 2022, he became a founding member of the Kansas Business Roundtable so diverse businesses could have open dialogue around data-driven, bipartisan public policy solutions that strengthen the Kansas economy.

9:15 am

REGIONAL ECONOMIC FORECAST

- **Jeremy Hill** - Regional Executive & Assistant Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City



JEREMY HILL | Jeremy Hill serves as the Bank's regional economist for Kansas and Missouri, leading regional research initiatives regarding key industries and community issues across the economies of both states. He coordinates strategic outreach initiatives to enhance the Bank's connections throughout the two states.

10:30 am

WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE 340B PRESCRIPTION DRUG PROGRAM?

- **Garrett Eberhardt**, Director of Government Relations, 340B Health
- **Isaac Boone** - Director of Pharmacy, PharmD & 340B, Coordinator, Greenwood County Hospital & Owner, Eureka Pharmacy
- **Mike Loftus**, Executive Director-Pharmacy Integration & Performance, Mercy
- **Moderator: Audrey Dunkel** - VP of Government Relations, Kansas Hospital Association, & KBR Treasurer/Board Member



GARRETT EBERHARDT | Garrett Eberhardt is Director of Government Relations for 340B Health, a nonprofit organization of more than 1,600 hospitals and health systems participating in the federal 340B drug pricing program. Garrett brings his more than 13 years of experience working in healthcare policy in Washington DC.

KBR Pillars: Infrastructure, Innovation, Workforce, Healthcare, Civil Society

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ISAAC BOONE | Isaac Boone is a pharmacist with over 11 years of experience in the 340B program and 13 years in retail pharmacy. As the owner of Eureka Pharmacy and a healthcare leader in rural Kansas, he brings a unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities facing hospitals, pharmacies, and patients. His work allows him to see firsthand the profound impact the 340B program has on sustaining care in rural communities.



MIKE LOFTUS | Mike Loftus has been a pharmacist with Mercy Health System (based out of St. Louis) for 30 years. His centralized team for 340B has oversight for 23 hospitals in the 340B program for Mercy. He serves on the Board of Directors of the nonprofit 340B Health.

11:45 am

WORKING LUNCH: PREVIEW OF 2026 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- **Senator Renee Erickson** - Education Funding Task Force Chair
- **Senator Dinah Sykes** - Senate Minority Leader
- **Representative Dan Hawkins** - Speaker of the House
- **Representative Brandon Woodard** - House Democratic Leader



**SENATOR
RENEE ERICKSON**



**SENATOR
DINAH SYKES**



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