

Elizabeth Mitchell Bio

Elizabeth Mitchell is President and CEO of the Purchaser Business Group on Health (PBGH). PBGH is a 501c(3) non-profit organization focused on improving health outcomes, experience and affordability for consumers and purchasers across the United States. PBGH represents 40 of the largest public and private purchasers of health care services in the country who collectively spend \$100 billion on health care annually for 15 million employees and their families.

As leader of PBGH, Mitchell advances the organization's strategic focus areas of redesigning care delivery, driving affordability and optimizing health care markets, leveraging her extensive experience working with health care purchasers, providers, policymakers and payers to improve health care quality and cost.

Mitchell previously served as Senior Vice President for Healthcare and Community Health Transformation at Blue Shield of California, during which time she designed Blue Shield's strategy for transforming practice, payment and community health. Mitchell also served as the President and CEO of the Network for Regional Healthcare Improvement (NRHI), a network of regional quality improvement and measurement organizations; as CEO of Maine's business coalition on health (the Maine Health Management Coalition); within an integrated delivery system (MaineHealth); and was elected to the Maine State Legislature, serving as a state representative.

Mitchell served as Vice Chairperson of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Physician-Focused Payment Model Technical Advisory Committee and was a board and executive committee member of the National Quality Forum (NQF). She was a member of the National Academy of Medicine's "Vital Signs" Study Committee on core metrics, and a guiding committee member for the Health Care Payment Learning & Action Network.

Mitchell holds a degree in religion from Reed College and studied social policy at the London School of Economics.

About the Purchaser Business Group on Health

The Purchaser Business Group on Health (PBGH) is a 501c3 with a mission of improving health outcomes, experience and affordability for consumers and purchasers across the United States. PBGH has a 30-year track record of incubating and spreading innovations that measurably improve care for consumers and is a national leader in redesigning care, changing policy, and purchasing value.

PBGH uses the leverage of influential public and private purchasers of health care – in partnership with providers, payers, and policymakers – to scale innovative models for improving health outcomes and affordability. The organization aligns care design with payment and policy to sustain and scale person-centered health models.

PBGH is widely recognized for incubating new, disruptive ideas and scaling proven approaches, including incubating one of the first intensive outpatient care programs for medically and socially complex patients; creating an employer-led centers of excellence product focused on appropriate, best-in-class care; and partnering with primary care providers to implement and scale advanced primary care models and to reduce variation in care.