Harbrecht is a family physician who has led HealthTeamWorks® since 1999. Under her guidance, HealthTeamWorks® served as the lead organization in Colorado for the national Improving Performance in Practice initiative to help practices redesign their systems to improve quality, safety, efficiency and satisfaction for patients and the healthcare team. The program, piloted in Colorado and North Carolina, has now spread to seven states.

Expanding on this work and linking it to payment reform, HealthTeamWorks® in 2008 convened the Colorado Multi-Payer Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Pilot, bringing together seven health plans, 16 practice sites and many other stakeholders. HealthTeamWorks® provided technical assistance and quality improvement coaching to the practices. That work prompted the CMS Innovation Center to choose Colorado as one of seven national regions for the Comprehensive Primary Care Initiative, a multipayer project that will provide enhanced compensation for high-quality, coordinated, patient-centered primary care. HealthTeamWorks® was chosen to provide PCMH coaching to more than 50 of the 73 practices selected for the project.

Harbrecht is a member of the national Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative Payment Reform Taskforce and the NCQA PPC-PCMH Advisory Committee that helped develop the 2008, 2011 and 2014 PCMH standards. She lectures nationally about health system change, quality improvement and patient safety. She is an assistant clinical professor in family medicine at the University of Colorado.

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Time: Wednesday, February 25, 2015. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. and presentation at 12:00 noon

Place: Fogelman College of Business and Economics at the University of Memphis, Room 385.

RSVP: Janis Lamar at jdublin@memphis.edu no later than Friday, February 20, 2015.

Program Host: Cyril Chang, Methodist Le Bonheur Center for Healthcare Economics