



## **Workforce Strategies for a Thriving Region: Healthcare**

*September 24 | 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.*

*The Collaborative in Bentonville*

**8:30 - 9:00 a.m.**

**Networking, Check In, & Breakfast**

**9:00 - 9:15 a.m.**

**Welcome**

- *Dr. Tara Dryer of the University of Arkansas*
- *Dr. Chett Daniel of Crowder College*

**9:15 - 9:45 a.m.**

**AI and the Healthcare Workforce: What Does the Data Tell Us?**

*Nicole Summers-Gabr of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis*

**9:45 - 10:45 a.m.**

**The State of Healthcare Workforce Panel**

*Moderator:*

- *Matuschka Lindo Briggs of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis*

*Panelists:*

- *Dr. Richard Schooler of Kansas City University (Joplin Campus)*
- *Jeremy Drinkwitz of Mercy Hospital - Joplin*
- *Dr. Pearl McElfish of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences*
- *Stefanie Pawluk of the NWA Council*
- *Dr. Sarah Bemis of the Heartland Whole Health Institute*

**10:45 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Break**

**11:00 - 12:00 p.m.**

**Spotlights in Healthcare**

- *Edie Stewart of Goodwill Arkansas*
- *Carol Moralez of UpSkill NWA*

**12:15 - 12:30 p.m.**

**Group Work: Identifying Gaps and Current Resources**

**12:30 - 1:00 p.m.**

**Lunch & Networking**