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Vice President Government Payer Relations
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Beth serves as Premier's focal point for government and payer affairs.

Beth brings more than 20 years of health care experience through her responsibilities of lobbying for emergency physician health care policy changes, commercial and government contract negotiation and management, practice revenue enhancement consulting and auditing.

During her ten (10) years with PPS, her ability to manage and negotiate commercial payer contracts has had positive impact to the bottom line annually. In 2004, Beth established Premier's Government Relations division which is supported by an external lobby firm in Columbus, Governmental Policy Group. The division also governs the Premier Political Action Committee (PAC) which she is Vice Chair.

Beth began her career in healthcare with Nationwide Ohio Medicare Part B claims and special audit unit. She developed her interest in state government and was groomed in the political arena as administrative assistant for Ohio State Treasurer Mary Ellen Withrow who after 2 terms was appointed to Treasurer of the United States in President Clinton administration. After 6 years with state government, Beth transitioned to the managed health care field as the Director of Provider Relations for Ohio's first Medicaid Managed Care Plan, now known as CareSource. Prior to coming to Premier, Beth was a senior consultant with PricewaterhouseCoopers Healthcare practice where she served on various revenue cycle engagements for physician practices and hospitals. Her last engagement was serving as interim compliance officer for Chicago Children's Memorial Hospital physician faculty.

Beth is actively engaged with numerous healthcare organizations and is a passionate advocate at both the state and federal level for Emergency Physicians. She was a member of the Board of Directors for Emergency Department Practice Management Association (EDPMA) based in McLean, Virginia. She is currently Chairperson of the EDPMA PAC. She is serving her 2nd year as Chairperson of the Conference Planning Committee. In 2012, EDPMA honored Beth's passionate advocacy for Emergency Physicians and dedication by presenting her with the prestigious EDPMA Founder's Award. Beth is also active with the Health Billing and Management Association (HBMA) where she obtained her CHBME accreditation. She is a State Representative and a member of HBMA's Government Relations Committee.