

# IBI INFO

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## ***Updates***

### **Biosimilars May be Changing the Landscape for Workforce Health; Learn More at our April 22 Regional Event**

The landscape for biosimilars is evolving, and the FDA—just yesterday— released its [Purple Book](#) to facilitate biosimilars development. Learn more about the potential for biosimilars and how it plays a part in health benefits strategy and design at IBI and PBGH's Regional Event "[Biosimilars: The Next Frontier](#)" on Wednesday, April 22 at the Oakland City Center Marriott. [Agenda, registration, and sponsorships](#) opportunities are now available. Use the code **IBIBiosim2020Employer** to receive free registration for the event.

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### **New Educational Opportunity: Webinar and Accompanying Research Report on Integrating Employer and Patient-Centered Approaches to Benefit Design & Delivery**

The Integrated Benefits Institute and the National Alliance of Healthcare Purchaser Coalitions surveyed over 200 employers to understand whether and how employees' needs and goals are factored into the design and implementation of benefit programs in their companies. Join us and an employer panel on Tuesday, March 17 at 2:00-3:00 pm

EST for a [webinar](#) to review the survey findings and the value strategy of incorporating employees needs and interests around their benefits programs.

[Register Now](#)

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## **Upcoming Research Analysis & Webinar Reviews the Business Value of the Patient-Provider Relationship**

Recent research conducted by IBI fellow Adrienne Sabety, Harvard Ph.D. candidate in Health Policy Economics demonstrates what happens when there are disturbances to patient-provider relationships and the influence it has on health care consumption and overall health. Join IBI and chief medical officers from various companies for a [webinar](#) on Thursday, April 9 at 1:00-2:00 pm EST that will dive into those research findings and the business implications, as well as discuss how companies have factored it into their workforce health management decisions.

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## **Sponsorship Opportunities Now Available for the Annual Health and Productivity Forum (Sept 15-16)**

IBI and the Conference Board are now taking inquiries on [sponsorship packages](#) for the [2020 Health and Productivity Forum](#) which will take place on September 15-16 at the Marriott Marquis Chicago. Each year, this convening brings together over 500 thought leaders to explore innovative solutions in managing the “whole picture” of health, wellbeing, productivity and business performance. Those interested in sponsoring can email [forum@ibiweb.org](mailto:forum@ibiweb.org). If you are interested in presenting at the Forum, please [submit a proposal](#) by March 16.

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## ***Blog***

### **How Businesses Can Prevent the Spread of Novel Coronavirus: CDC Releases Guidelines for Employers**

The novel coronavirus is currently making headlines for its spread throughout China. Although the virus is not currently spreading in the US, there are steps that businesses can take to help control infection in their own workforce...

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## ***Research Review***

Snapshot from the latest [IBI Research Review](#):

### **Work Productivity Loss Study Reveals Risk Factors Associated with Cardiovascular Disease**

[Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine](#)

*February is American Heart Month, and businesses and their partners can play a part in reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease among their workforce. A study found that employees at high risk of cardiovascular disease (CVD) had their lost work productivity decline by 30% one year after...*

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## ***Newsroom***

## IBI in the News

### [15 Great Employee Wellness Program Ideas & Tips](#)

Fit Small Business

### [Will more employers get off the healthcare bench in 2020?](#)

HR Dive

### [How to Overcome Workplace Disability Issues](#)

Debt Free Guys

### [Why waste in health care is a knowledge problem](#)

BenefitsPRO

## Other Industry News

### [Interim Coronavirus Guidance for Businesses and Employers](#)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

### [FDA In Brief: FDA Enhances Purple Book to Support Transparency in Biosimilars](#)

U.S. Food and Drug Administration



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#### Upcoming Events

March 17: [Webinar: Integrating Employer and Patient-Centered Approaches to Benefit Design & Delivery](#)

April 9: [Webinar: Understanding the Business Value of Patient-Provider Relationships](#)

April 22: [PBGH & IBI Regional Event: Biosimilars: The Next Frontier](#)

September 15-16: [Conference: IBI/Conference Board Health and Productivity Forum](#)



