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Kerry McDermott is Senior Director, Health Care Technology Policy for the West Health Institute, an applied medical research organization dedicated to lowering the cost of health care. McDermott's current priority areas include catalyzing a connected health ecosystem to improve individual and population health; transforming care through use of enabling technologies that disrupt care processes; advancing interoperability; and, democratizing healthcare data.

Prior to joining West Health, McDermott was Director of Healthcare for the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). She led the agency-wide healthcare agenda, which included advancing wireless health technologies and enabling higher quality, lower cost care through expanding broadband connectivity for healthcare providers. She co-authored the healthcare section of the National Broadband Plan mandated by Congress, advised the White House Health IT Task Force, and served as the FCC's liaison on healthcare issues across government agencies and to industry. She has testified before Congress on rural health challenges and participated in World Economic Forum mobile health initiatives.

Previously, McDermott held strategy and operations positions at CIGNA HealthCare, and roles in consulting, finance, and education. She holds a Master's in Public Health from Yale University, and is a summa cum laude graduate of the University of Maryland with a B.S. in Finance and a B.A. in Russian.