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An Online Network for Health Reform Implementation

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for STATE HEALTH POLICY


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is State
Refor(u)m?

WHO
is it for?

HOW
is it
organized?

most active indicators

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Be Strategic with Insurance Exchange

- 44 states
- 205 discussions
- 84 people
- 283 documents

Develop a Coordinated Approach to Implementing the ACA

- 38 states
- 111 discussions
- 21 people
- 112 documents

Engage the Public in Policy Development and Implementation

- 49 states
- 95 discussions
- 18 people
- 43 documents

site activity by state

Go To State

California

- 8 indicators
- 38 discussions
- 75 comments
- 18 people
- 44 documents

Massachusetts

- 11 indicators
- 51 discussions
- 74 comments
- 13 people
- 20 documents

New Mexico

- 9 indicators
- 44 discussions
- 53 comments
- 7 people
- 31 documents

most recent documents

- AI Focus Group Report with Current and Former IDBP and Medicaid Enrollees [download](#)
- IA: Assessing the Primary Care Safety Net [download](#)
- NC: Safety Net Resources and Infrastructure [download](#)
Resource Planning, Safety Net Providers

see all

new site features!

- Upload web links—not just documents—with comments you submit! Look for the button that says “upload a document or link” in the comment box, like in the example [here](#).
- See what other states are at work on a particular milestone. Look for a left-side box with this info on every state milestone discussion, such as the one [here](#).
- Learn more about other members of the community. “Mouse over” user photos or names, like the ones [here](#), to see a user’s title and affiliation.

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choose a milestone to join that national-level discussion, and find links to state-level discussions

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Choose from 11 indicators

Milestones fall below indicators

Sort by clicking on column headers

Choose which documents you see

715 documents

Title	State	Date	Contributor	Topics	Downloads
 AL Focus Group Report with Current and Former CHIP and Medicaid Enrollees download	Alabama	Oct. 20, 2011	Dana Driscoll (source)	CHIP	5
 IA: Assessing the Primary Care Safety Net download	Iowa	Oct. 19, 2011	Katharine Witgert (source)		9
 NC: Safety Net Resources and Infrastructure download	North Carolina	Oct. 19, 2011	Katharine Witgert (source)	Resource Planning, Safety Net Providers	7
 CO: Regional Care Collaboratives & the Safety Net download	Colorado	Oct. 19, 2011	Katharine Witgert (source)	CHIP, Medicaid, Accountable Care Organizations, Safety Net Providers	6
 CO: Scope of Practice and the Current Debate download	Colorado	Oct. 19, 2011	Katharine Witgert (source)	Licensing, Provider Reimbursement, Resource Planning, Primary Care, Scope	5

document filters

States

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topics

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Accountable Care Organizations

8 documents | 7 people | 10 discussions

Acute Care

0 documents | 1 person | 1 discussion

Adolescents

0 documents | 0 people | 0 discussions

Agency Collaboration

28 documents | 13 people | 45 discussions

All-Payer Claims Database

2 documents | 5 people | 4 discussions

American Indians and Alaska Natives

2 documents | 2 people | 2 discussions

Applications

5 documents | 5 people | 7 discussions

Assisted Living

0 documents | 2 people | 1 discussion

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finding your way around?

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Nation > Be Strategic with Insurance Exchange

Be Strategic with Insurance Exchange

278 documents | 84 people | 268 discussions | 44 states | email notifications | subscribe

will have a vital role in the marketplace, helping consumers shop for, base coverage. States can also use Exchanges to shape the quality and

Documents

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278 documents related to this progress indicator

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Board of Directors for Exchange, Exchange

Offering Dental Benefits in Health Exchanges
White Paper
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Exchange Regulations

Ten Considerations for States in Linking
Medicaid and the Health ...
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Exchange, Medicaid

Selecting Plans to Participate in an Exchange
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Exchange Regulations

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Oversight
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Health Exchange Commission ...
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The Role of Exchanges in Quality
Improvement: An Analysis of the Options
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Exchange

CA 9/27/11 CAHBEX Board Meeting
Exchange Design Options Presentation
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Exchange

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Slide Presentation
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CA 7/29/11 Individual Exchange Eligibility
and Enrollment Webinar ...
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Discussions,
states, and
update tools

People

84 people

Rachel Dolan
District of Columbia
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Shannon McMahon
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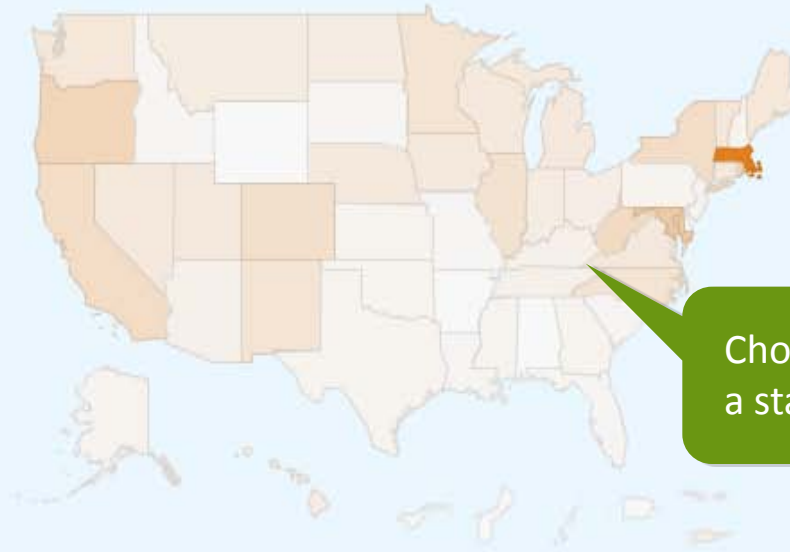
Emphasize Coordination of Care

Use Your Data

Pursue Population Health Goals

Engage the Public in Policy Development and Implementation

Promote Quality and Efficiency in the Health Care System



794 Discussions Underway

715 Documents Uploaded

1545 Registered Users

1399 Comments Contributed

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10 Discussions Underway

4 Participants

22 Community Members

4 Documents Uploaded

11 Comments Contributed

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Your documents and comments raise state's progress

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Kentucky's milestones by progress indicator

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- Decide whether to keep separate or merge the individual and small group market risk pools
- Decide whether to participate in a Health Care Choice Compact to facilitate interstate sale of health insurance products
- Analyze possible sources of adverse selection in the Exchange and adopt strategies designed to mitigate that risk
- Develop a plan to adjust risk for qualified plans consistent with federal laws and regulations

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- Assess the benefit packages in the state's public and private insurance programs to determine the current state of the market
- Compare current state benefit mandates with the essential health benefit package and identify any needed changes

Checks mean your comments and documents show state progress

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Wondering where the "heat maps" on the site come from? They reflect the health reform implementation work that community members share on this site.

State Refor(u)m relies on users like you to report news of a state's progress on health reform implementation [milestones](#). Does it look like your state's work is reflected [here](#)? If not, join a discussion and [submit information](#) to boost your state's percent-of-progress measure.

Recent Activity



Jodi Mitchell commented on the Milestone: Conduct an analysis of existing IT systems and identify areas in need of modernization discussion.



Jodi Mitchell commented on the Milestone: Form or designate a coordinating body with representation from key state agencies relevant to implementation of the ACA [discussion](#).



milestone complete!

Kentucky has completed this milestone.

this discussion is about

Kentucky

Designate a lead person or entity to coordinate the state's implementation of the ACA

community members working on this milestone in other states



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milestone: designate a lead person or entity to coordinate the state's implementation of the aca

Designating a lead for ACA implementation creates a dedicated decision-maker responsible for ensuring efficient resource use, coordinated state action, and making implementation decisions that consider state policy goals and the existing infrastructure.

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Jodi Mitchell
Kentucky

KY has identified an agency lead (Cabinet for Health and Family Services) for ACA implementation and Carrie Banahan, Office of Health Care Policy, as the dedicated contact responsible for ACA Implementation.



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Jodi Mitchell
Kentucky

The KY Establishment Grant proposal detailed research done on existing IT systems and identified areas for modernization. KY has contracted with Accenture to assist with modernization of IT systems. Advocates look forward to KY streamlining enrollment for Medicaid and other social programs through this modernization effort.

October 5th

comment, ask a question or post a document

Large empty text area for comments or questions.

Topics:

Your comment and/or document or link will be associated with this milestone. Would you also like to tag it with other topical terms? (Pick up to 5 Topics)

- Populations
- Programs
- Providers and Medical Services
- Financing and Program Integrity
- Milestone Subtopics

Attached Documents or Links:

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See who else is working on this issue, and where

Join the conversation



Digesting the 2011 CMS Eligibility Conference

September 22, 2011 by [Andrew Snyder](#)

From September 7-9, CMS hosted an intense three-day conference on the proposed eligibility rules for Medicaid and the Exchanges that CMS ([here](#) and [here](#)) and IRS released in August. The agencies presented a full menu of detailed information on the rules. [read more](#)



Highlights from the Second Round of Exchange Establishment Grants

September 20, 2011 by [Rachel Dolan](#)

HHS announced the latest round of establishment grant awardees on August 12, 2011. Thirteen additional states and the District of Columbia have now received grants to establish Exchanges, bringing the total to seventeen. The grant application requires states to address **eleven** core areas identified by HHS in which states are expected to carry out activities. [read more](#)



Flipping the Script on State Eligibility Processes

September 13, 2011 by [Alice Weiss](#)

Like many others working on health reform implementation, my colleagues and I at NASHP spent the better part of our summer vacation reading the 3 new eligibility rules that were released by CMS, CCHD, and IRS on August 17. [read more](#)



State Refor(u)m Sets Eyes on South by Southwest

August 29, 2011 by [Rachel Dolan](#)

Just as all of you have joined [State Refor\(u\)m](#) to share implementation resources and successes, the State Refor(u)m team is eager to share this online network with a wider community. We've applied to showcase State Refor(u)m in a panel presentation at the influential South by Southwest (SXSW) Interactive festival. We want others in government and technology to know how states can work together openly and efficiently online. [read more](#)

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Navigation Menu

Use the ever present navigation menu at the top of each page to quickly access areas of the site.

1. **Home** The "front page," where you'll find the latest site news, links to all site sections, and selected community activity.
2. **States** The entry point to 56 state- and territory-specific pages. The state-specific pages, in turn, illustrate implementation progress and contain discussions and documents organized by progress indicator and milestone.
3. **Nation** A full list of indicators and milestones. Each indicator listed is the entry point to the people, documents, and discussions--from all over the site--related to that indicator. Each milestone listed is the place to read, participate in, and contribute documents to national-level discussions of that milestone.
4. **A-Z** Contains documents and discussions by topic, not milestone or progress indicator.
5. **Blog** *State of Implementation*, the official State Refor(u)m blog synthesizes interesting content on the site; educates states on important aspects of reform; highlights

The screenshot shows the State Refor(u)m website home page. At the top, there is a navigation menu with five items: 'home', 'states', 'nation', 'a-z', and 'blog', followed by a 'help' link. A search bar is located to the right of the navigation menu. Below the navigation menu, there is a section titled 'state content by activity level' with a dropdown menu set to 'alaska'. This section displays a grid of state cards for California, Massachusetts, New Mexico, Maryland, New York, and Iowa. Each card shows the number of indicators, discussions, comments, and people. For example, California has 1 indicator, 18 discussions, 19 comments, and 18 people. To the right of the state content, there is a section titled 'two new exchange resources' with a photo of a man and text describing the resources. Below this, there is a section titled 'looking for webinar information?' with text about a webinar recording. At the bottom right, there is a section titled 'users are at the heart of State Refor(u)m'.

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Thank you!

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