



NOVEMBER 2014 MEETINGS
WHAT'S ON THE MIND OF THE STATES?
A SUMMARY OF POPULATION HEALTH ISSUES

First Meeting

- 1. State efforts to reduce opioid abuse**
 - Evidence and experience from prescription monitoring programs
- 2. Aging baby boomers and impact on state services**
 - Best practices for state planning for service demand: Aging in place/independence services
 - Long-term care rebalancing
- 3. Telemedicine**
 - State of the evidence and experience
 - Common statute and regulation challenges
- 4. State workforce skills capacity now required in Medicaid and other state agencies to implement delivery system changes**
 - New skills required (e.g. project management)
 - Developing and retaining personnel
 - Managing organizational change in Medicaid as it takes on new roles
- 5. Marijuana**
 - Evidence on population health effects of cannabis
 - Lessons from states that are early legalizers

Second Meeting

- 1. Reprogramming Medicaid money for social services: housing and other non-medical needs; community health workers**
 - Evidence and experience of effective reprogramming
 - Status of waiver requests

- 2. Role of state in using its data to assess population health**
 - Case studies of Washington's PRISM System and state/university collaboratives
 - How to evaluate state efforts to invest in social determinants of health

- 3. Autism**
 - Preparing for new Medicaid guidance
 - Ways to harmonize public programs with commercial benefit policies

- 4. Hospital and provider consolidation**
 - Standards used by states when consolidations are proposed
 - Federal safe harbor guidance for practice consolidation and role of states in monitoring
 - Taxonomy of an integrated health system
 - Trends such as federally qualified health centers and provider group consolidation

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 - 5a. Specialty Drugs (Sovaldi, etc.)**
 - Cost impact on states of drugs in pipeline; key assumptions
 - Role of federal statute in pricing options, approval process

 - 5b. Projecting for inpatient psychiatric bed capacity**
 - Behavioral health—rebalancing high level of care vs. low level of care/community-based care
 - Court commitments into mental health system: trends by state, type of commitment, and length of time; effects on state health policies and behavioral health delivery system

Third Meeting

- 1. Improving health outcomes for newly released prisoners**
 - Evidence and experience of programs that enhance care and foster integration and continuation of care
- 2. Prevention services**
 - Evidence and experience of new models for selecting priorities and financing
- 3. Reprogramming Medicaid money for social services: housing and other non-medical needs; community health workers**
 - Evidence and experience of effective reprogramming
 - Status of waiver requests
- 4. State-tribal issues**
 - Structure and processes for alignment between jurisdictions on population health issues
 - Medicaid/Indian Health Services financing
- 5. Autism**
 - Preparing for new Medicaid guidance
 - Ways to harmonize public programs with commercial benefit policies