

Monitoring the Impact of the ACA

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Common Metrics

- Current Insurance Coverage
- Prior Insurance Coverage
- Future Insurance Coverage Plans
- Cost of Coverage and Care
- Affordability Challenges
- Health Insurance Literacy and Decisionmaking
- Marketplace Shopping Experience
- Consumer Assistance Experience
- Public Opinion
- Awareness of the ACA (Individual Mandate, Subsidies, Deadlines)
- Access to Providers, Care, Network of Choice
- Experiences with Medicaid



Tracking Impacts of the Affordable Care Act

July 2014



The Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky is:

- An endowed non-profit, philanthropic organization
- Only statewide health foundation in Kentucky
- Created when Anthem acquired Blue Cross/Blue Shield (2001)



2013 Annual Kentucky Health Issues Poll (

(A random sample of 1,551 adults from throughout Kentucky was interviewed by telephone. This included 951 landline interviews and 600 cell phone interviews with cell phone users.)

On kynect – Kentucky's Exchange:

1 in 3 (32%) Kentucky adults in these categories reported hearing "nothing at all about kynect": ages of 18-29, less than a high school education, earning 138% of the Federal Poverty Level or below, living in northern Kentucky.

How much, if anything, have you heard about this new health insurance marketplace, also known as kynect, or Kentucky's Healthcare Connection, in your state?*

Kentucky adults



*KHIP asked: "As you may know, the healthcare law creates health insurance exchanges or marketplaces where people who don't get coverage through their employers can shop for insurance and compare prices and benefits. How much, if anything, have you heard about this new health insurance marketplace, also known as kynect, or Kentucky's Healthcare Connection, in your state? Have you heard ..."



On expanded Medicaid:

- Nearly 8 in 10 (79%) adults said they support Kentucky's decision to expand Medicaid to include more low-income Kentuckians.
- Almost 9 in 10 (87%) Kentucky adults reported it is very important (57%) or somewhat important (30%) that Kentucky Medicaid provides coverage to low-income people.

Percentage of Kentucky adults who favor Kentucky's decision to expand Medicaid to cover more low-income people*



Kentucky Medicaid provides health care coverage to low-income individuals?"



A sense of urgency, to align approaches and "get it right"

- Permit comparison, expand on reach of existing national work
- Better understanding of ACA implementation in rural areas
- Insights into only Southern state with state exchange, Medicaid expansion

Kentucky Health Issues Poll – Questions no later than 8/01/2014

- Every Fall
- Adding targeted polling ACA in Spring

RFQ – Tracking Impacts of ACA on access, cost, patient experience

- RFQ to be Issued 10/01/2014
- Focus groups, interviews, Medicaid data



Thank You!....Questions?

Learn more at: www.healthy-ky.org

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Monitoring the Impact of the ACA on Maine

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- Endowed private, non-profit, philanthropic organization
- Largest statewide health foundation in Maine
- Mission to promote access to affordable high quality health care, particularly for people who are uninsured
- Created when Anthem acquired Blue Cross/Blue Shield (2000)



Monitoring the state impact of the ACA in a federally-facilitated Marketplace

- Public opinion polling using the Kaiser public polling questions
 - Pre-marketplace baseline (fall 2013)
 - Post first enrollment period (May 2014))



The proportion of Mainers claiming to have heard "a lot" about the health insurance marketplace has doubled compared to Fall '13 results.

QUESTION: As you may know, a federal health reform bill called the Affordable Care Act (or Obamacare) was signed into law in 2010. The health care law creates health insurance exchanges or marketplaces where people who don't get coverage through their employers can shop for insurance and compare prices and benefits.

How much, if anything, have you heard about this new health insurance marketplace in Maine? Have you heard a lot, some, only a little, or nothing at all?



More highly-educated residents and those living in the Southern and Coastal/Downeast regions of Maine are significantly more likely than other subgroups to say they have heard "a lot" about the new marketplace.







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One-third of Maine residents surveyed indicate awareness of the enroll207 website or Facebook page.

Have you heard of the enroll207 website or Facebook page?



Awareness is significantly higher among Southern Mainearea residents and those under age 65.



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- Using the questions from the new national Health Reform Monitoring Survey (HRMS) MeHAF worked with national survey experts from GfK to develop and field the annual survey of Maine residents (HRMS-Maine).
- ✓ Questions tracked the impact of the ACA and state changes in Medicaid on health insurance coverage, access and use of health care, health care affordability, and self-reported health status.
- ✓ HRMS-Maine gathered data on an expanded, representative sample of 992 Maine residents (adults ages 18-64), using the same questions from the national HRMS.
- \checkmark MeHAF plans to field the survey annually (Q4).



Maine's Marketplace Enrollment

Affordable Care Act enrollment in Maine 10/1/13 to 3/31/14.

Maine's ACA enrollment total is 44,258 individuals. *Roll over graphics for data.*



SOURCE: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services

bangordailynews.com

Health Insurance Marketplace Type, by State



Note: Idaho and New Mexico have State-based Marketplaces with federal support. Utah has a Federallyfacilitated Marketplace for individuals and a State-based SHOP for small businesses. Studying the Affordable Care Act Using the RAND American Life Panel

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What is the American Life Panel?

- Nationally representative sample
- Respondents answer online
- Surveys in English and Spanish



What makes this tool innovative?



Over 350 past surveys



ACA survey collects data in three areas



Health insurance enrollment under the ACA



Method



Net gain in coverage of 9.3 million



More gained than lost coverage



What happened to the uninsured?

= 500,000 adults

Insured in 2014

2013 uninsured:



Sources of coverage for newly insured



Insured in 2014

ESI

Medicaid

Individual market

Exchange

Other

Change in types of coverage



What's next?





Discussion Questions

- Are you or your grantees tracking these metrics? What strategies are you using?
- Are you or your grantees tracking the impact of the ACA in rural areas?
- How can statewide and national evaluations better work together to build the evidence base?
- In what ways would you like to make future connections with your colleagues on this issue?
- If you've not yet done so, please send your survey questions and methodologies to <u>healthreform@gih.org</u> and we will distribute to the group.