

Philanthropy and Health Care Reform

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Agenda

- MMF
- Assumptions
- Federalism at Play
- Frame Work for Policy Making
- Roles for Philanthropy (Examples)
- Discussion



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- 105 year old operating foundation
- National scope
- "Improving Population Health by connecting leaders and decision makers with the best evidence and experience"
- Three priorities
 - Be a source for evidence and experience in response to state requests
 - Build state health policy capacity
 - Increase impact of Milbank Quarterly

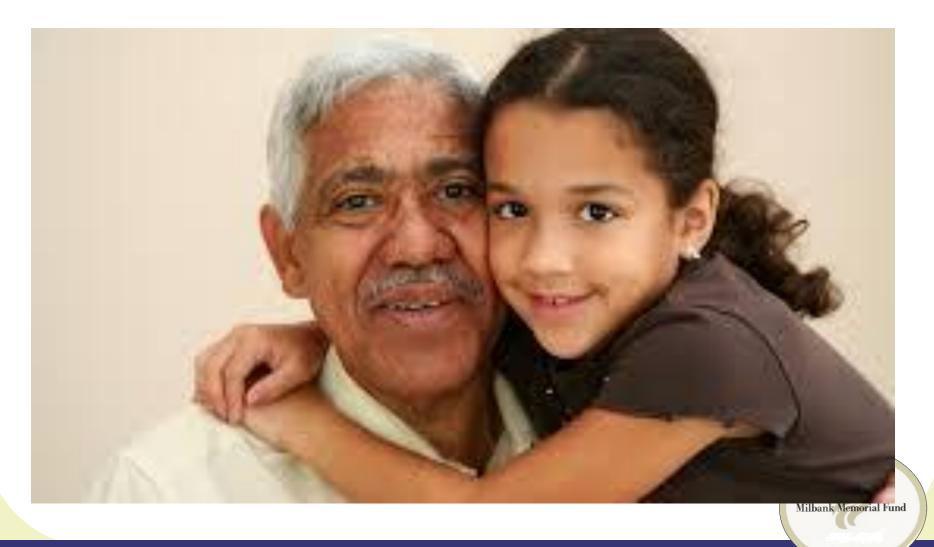


Assumption one: When philanthropy says we want impact, what do we mean?





Assumption two: Health care - the goal is a full lifespan for all



Assumption three: Meeting the goal requires public policy, and public policy is often not pretty



A Simple Public Policy Making Framework

- 1. Problem Awareness
 - (Research, public consensus)
- 2. Evidence and Experience for a Viable Policy/Intervention
 - Research, pilot projects.
- 3. Political and Economic Consensus for Viable Policy
 - Law or regulation or culture (way we work)

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Philanthropies and Government: Lead or Follow?



Health Care Policy Making: What are some of the Issues?

Insurance Financing	- Medicaid, Federal Subsidies, Budget	
Insurance Eligibility	- Rules and Enrollment	
Insurance Laws	- Commercial Market Reforms	
Payment Reform	- Single and Multi payer	
Workforce	- New Roles, Education	
Quality Improvement	- Measurement, alignment, achievement	
Public Health and Prevention	- Diet, Exercise, Behavior	
Social Determinants	- Employment, Education, Justice	

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Health Care Policy Making: Where is the real action?

	Federal	State	Local
Insurance Financing	X	X	
Insurance Eligibility	X	X	X
Insurance Laws	X	X	
Payment Reform		X	
Workforce		X	X
Quality Improve- ment			X
Public Health and Prevention			X
Social Determinants		X	X

Implications for Philanthropy

- 1. What is your community of focus?
- 2. Where is your expertise and focus in the policy making process?
- 3. Pick your issues based on these answers
 - Issues are usually at different places along the policy making process,



Picking Your Issues

National Philanthropies

- Expected to focus on feds.
- If you work in states focus vs being responsive to the states.

State-focused Philanthropies

- An embarrassment of riches
- Two possible roles: let state government lead; take the lead

Local Philanthropies

- Pick your issues carefully
- Setting the local agenda.



Opp'ty for Local Philanthropy - the Convener: Improving Flu Vaccination Rates in Community

- 1. Raise Problem Awareness
 - Know the data. Neutral facilitator with providers. Public advocacy
- 2. Identifying viable interventions
- What works? Creating culture of cooperation.
- 3. Implementing Policy
- Local law even needed? Sustaining collaboration and focus.



Opportunity for State and National Philanthropy: Stimulating Payment Reform

1. Raise Problem Awareness

 Are you an evidence producer or a megaphone and communicator?

2. Identifying viable interventions

- What are public and private payers doing already?
- Neutral conveners for multipayer coodination.
- Can a national foundation do local issues?

3. Implementing Policy

– Role of Foundation in administrative law or statute?

Closing



- Are the assumptions here correct?
- What is your tolerance for focus?



Common Direct Strategies

