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Where the Rubber Hits the Road: State Issues and Experience in Outreach and Enrollment

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#### NASHP work on outreach and enrollment includes...

- State Refor(u)m- online learning network and resource (RWJF)
- State Health Reform Assistance Network under this umbrella, helping states outside the 11 state network, including FFM (RWJF)
- State Health Exchange Leadership Network supporting sharing among state marketplace leads (RWJF)
- ACA implementation and MCH/CSHCN programs Developing tools to assist states (Maternal & Child Health Bureau, HRSA, HHS)
- Children in the Vanguard –network of Medicaid/CHIP officials and advocates; focus on children's coverage & reform (Atlantic)
- Children's Coverage: Preparing for 2014 and Beyond supporting all states, especially CHIP, to make progress (Packard)
- Maximizing Enrollment 8 state Medicaid/CHIP grants '09- 13; NASHP national office continues to Jan. to share results (RWJF)

# Lessons Learned from Maximizing Enrollment

- Use Technology Effectively
  - Policy needs to drive technology, not other way around
  - Details in how its used determine effectiveness
  - Human touch still needed
- Simplify and streamline
  - Not so simple!
  - Process maps and engineering helpful
  - Renewal as well as enrollment
- Manage Well



- Collect and use data needed for improvement
- Provide leadership to coordinate agencies, change culture
- Webcast briefing with Urban Institute in December <sub>3</sub>

# It's very early, but how is it going so far?

- Federal marketplace technological issues
- Some state exchanges doing well, e.g.
  - Kentucky-11,000 enrolled in Kynect at 2 weeks
  - Washington state- 25,000 enrolled in Healthplanfinder
- Some state exchanges delayed or with glitches, e.g.
  - Oregon
  - Maryland
- Some states enrolling more in Medicaid
  - Maryland- 82,500 intensive public health outreach
  - Enrolling SNAP participants- OR (56,000-10% of uninsured)
    Also AR, IL, WV

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States will report on standard federal indicators

### Important State Challenges 2013-2014 (Besides Technology)

- FFM states: policymaker support & resources for outreach, education, marketing & in person assisters
- Assessing and improving training for assisters
- Coordinating across state agencies, between state and local levels, and between public and private efforts
- Messaging, especially in FFM and bordering regions
- Being ready for renewals and transfers
- Monitoring hospital presumptive eligibility
- Moving children from CHIP to Medicaid
  - 18 states moving over half a million children

# Important Challenges 2013-2014 (Besides Technology)

- Enrolling sub populations requiring special attention
  - Those with low literacy
  - Those speaking languages other than English
  - Native Americans
  - Children and youth in out of home placements
  - Pregnant women
  - People with disabilities
  - Immigrant populations
  - Institutionalized people
- Informing/educating the public
  - Currently insured as well as uninsured
  - Seniors

#### Longer term challenges

#### Minimizing and managing churn

- TN bridge
- WA Apple Health Plus
- Basic Health Program Option
- Ensuring continuous coverage
- Simplifying eligibility within and across Medicaid, CHIP and exchanges
- Closing remaining gaps

## **Some Roles for Foundations**

- Convening state officials and stakeholders on what is working, what is not and how to improve
- Supporting information/education on insurance, options
- Supporting outreach for special populations
- Supporting more training for assisters in needed areas

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