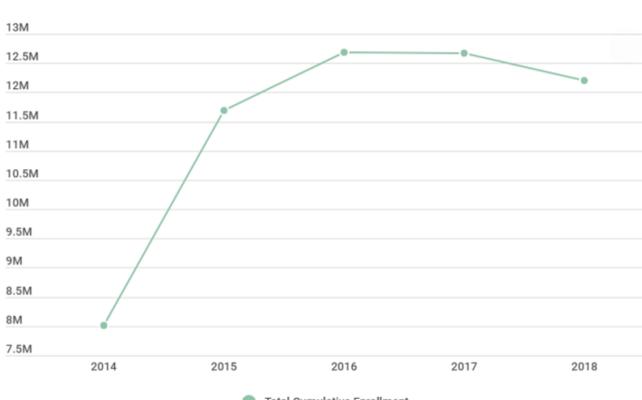




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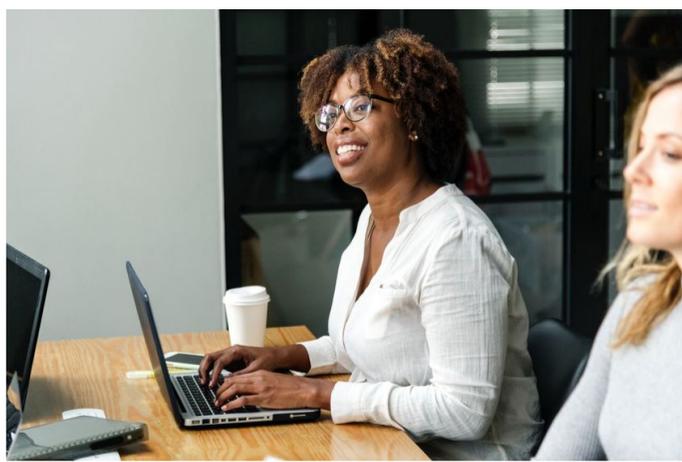
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### Featured Stories



#### A Snapshot: Understanding ACA Marketplace Enrollment 2014-2018

Early federal reports indicate 2019 enrollment in the Affordable Care Act's federal facilitated marketplace is lower than 2018, which would continue a decline that began in 2017. Why? As a new NASHP chart indicates, marketplace-supportive policies and investment in outreach and consumer support matter. NASHP will update this chart once 2019 enrollment closes and assess the impact of short-term limited duration and association health plan policies on marketplace sign-ups. Read the [blog](#) and explore the [chart](#).



#### Can States Help More People Work by Expanding Supported Employment?

Supported employment is used to help people with severe disabilities obtain and retain jobs. As states increasingly promote employment among public assistance recipients, could this model be expanded to new populations, including those with more common mental disorders or racial or ethnic groups who face health disparities? NASHP and Massachusetts General Hospital Disparities Research Unit examined how five states' supported employment programs are tackling these issues.



#### NASHP Launches Health Equity and Disparities Resource Page

Many states are transforming their health care delivery systems to improve health and control costs. Reducing health disparities — and addressing the social and economic conditions driving them — is at the heart of many of these efforts. NASHP's new resource page highlights current research and showcases successful state efforts to improve health equity, address the social determinants of health, and reduce health care disparities. *Shutterstock.com*



### Webinars

- [Webinar: How States Use 1332 Waivers to Develop Reinsurance Programs to Stabilize Markets](#)  
4 to 5 p.m. (EST)  
Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018
- [Webinar: Medicaid Alternative Payment Models for Prescription Drugs: Do They Add Value for States?](#)  
2-3 pm (EST)  
Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2018
- [Webinar: IAP Data Analytic Technical Support for State Medicaid Agencies](#)  
3-4 p.m. (EST)  
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### Jobs

#### NASHP Research Analyst – Chronic and Vulnerable Populations

NASHP seeks an entry-level research analyst for its Chronic and Vulnerable Populations Team. [Click for the full job description.](#)

#### NASHP Creates Confidential State Employee Job Bank

Incoming governors and state leaders have contacted NASHP for help identifying and recruiting candidates for key state policy and management positions. If you are interested in submitting your resume to NASHP's confidential job bank, please email it and your desired job title to [search@nashp.org](mailto:search@nashp.org), and put TRANSITION on the subject line. NASHP will not share your resume with a state recruiter without checking with you first.

### Resource of the Month



#### Virginia's BabyCare Program

Each month, NASHP's Healthy Child Development State Resource Center features a resource highlighting the important role that screening, referral, and care coordination play in healthy child development.

This month, NASHP features [Virginia's BabyCare Program: Working to Improve Birth Outcomes through Medicaid](#). If you have a resource to request be featured, please email [ehiggins@nashp.org](mailto:ehiggins@nashp.org).

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