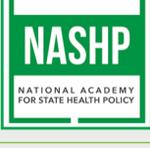


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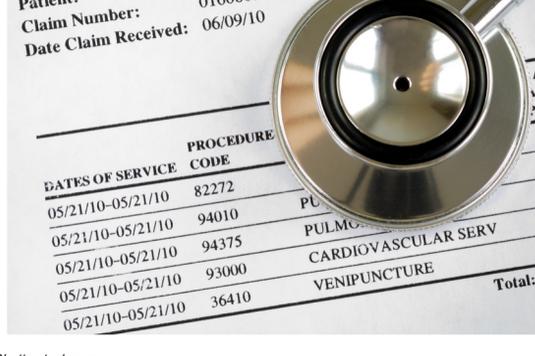
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States' Surprise Medical Billing Laws Can Inform Congressional Action

As Congress and the Administration propose strategies to address surprise bills – charges for unexpected, out-of-network medical care – states that have passed their own surprising billing laws to protect consumers can inform this federal decision-making. In this blog, NASHP identifies themes and lessons from state laws that can guide future federal action.



A New Tool to Curb Rx Costs: Outcome-Based Contracts with Drug Manufacturers

Colorado and Michigan have joined Oklahoma as the first states in the nation to advance outcome-based contracts with pharmaceutical manufacturers for Medicaid drug purchases. Experts from all three states shared their experiences implementing their Medicaid alternative payment model during a recent NASHP webinar. Read a blog about their presentation and listen to the webinar recording.



Governors Across the Nation Call for Environmental Protection Policies

State leaders are recognizing that the connection between the environment and human health is important not only when air pollution triggers asthma, toxins contaminate water, and climate change propels tick- and mosquito-borne diseases. More than half of the nation's governors have recently signaled a long-term state policy commitment to environmental protection in their 2019 inaugural or state of the state addresses, and 23 governors have joined the US Climate Alliance. Learn about the innovative environmental policies that governors are implementing through executive orders, legislation, and budget proposals.

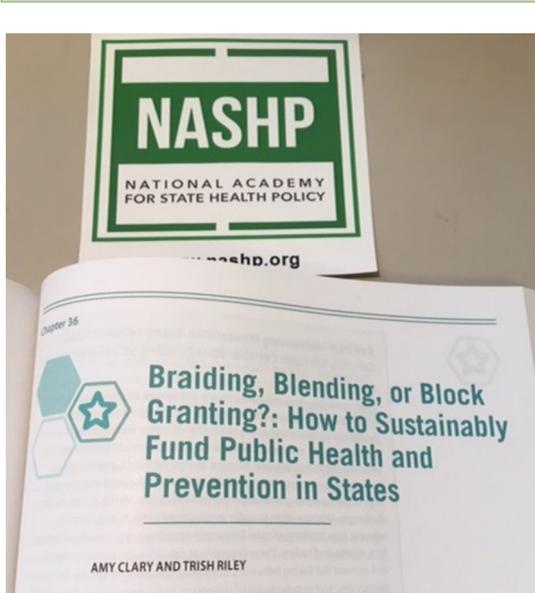


#NASHPCONF19 Focuses on Improving Women and Children's Health

Several sessions during NASHP's 32nd annual state health policy conference from Aug. 21-23, 2019, in Chicago will examine state financing, coverage, and service delivery policies to meet the unique health needs of women and children. Topics include improving collaboration between Medicaid and education to better serve students, increasing access to oral health services, and ensuring pregnant and parenting women have access to behavioral health care. The sessions include:

- **Key Ingredients: Partnering with Schools for Student Success:** 3:30-5 p.m. (CT) Thursday, Aug. 22, 2019
- **On Time Delivery: Optimizing Access to Care for Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorder or Mental Health Conditions:** 1:30-3 p.m. (CT) Thursday, Aug. 22, 2019
- **Magnificent Smile: Innovations to Increase Oral Health Access:** 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. (CT) Friday, Aug. 23, 2019

Learn more about these sessions and view the [full agenda](#).



NASHP Report Featured in The Practical Playbook II

The Practical Playbook has published a new book featuring tools, methods, and models to support multisector partnerships to improve population health. *The Practical Playbook II: Building Multisector Partnerships That Work* features more than 100 leading voices in public health, housing, transportation, and more, including NASHP's Trish Riley and Amy Clary's report: "Braiding, Blending, or Block Granting? How to Sustainably Fund Public Health and Prevention in States." The publication is available for purchase [here](#) or it can be viewed and downloaded for free [here](#).



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