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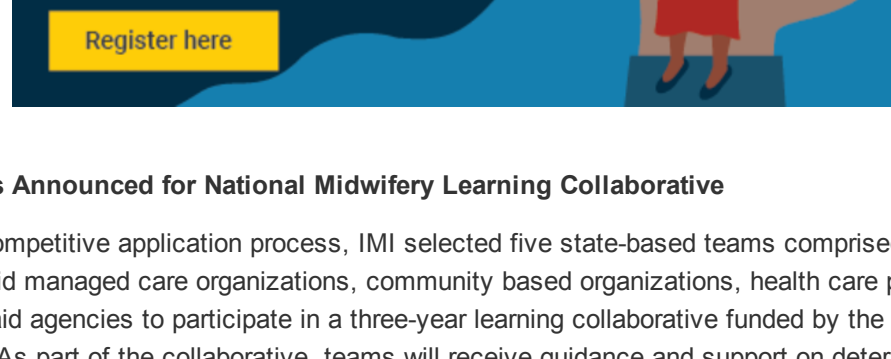
The Institute for Medicaid Innovation is excited to share that we are transitioning to a monthly newsletter to keep you up to date on new resources and opportunities. In our September edition, we cover the following topics:

- [Health Affairs Event Upcoming: Perinatal Mental Health](#)
- [Midwifery Learning Collaborative Launches with Five State Teams](#)
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Recent Announcements

Health Affairs Upcoming Event: Perinatal Mental Health

Join IMI's founding executive director, Dr. Jennifer Moore, on Friday, October 8th for the Health Affairs event in conjunction with the release of its theme issue on perinatal mental health. Dr. Moore served as the theme advisor for the special issue and will be joined with other national experts on the topic. Several IMI team members have articles featured in this issue including Dr. Nadia Glenn, IMI deputy executive director, Dr. Clare Brown, IMI senior research and policy fellow, and Dr. Karen George, IMI senior women's health fellow.



State Teams Announced for National Midwifery Learning Collaborative

Through a competitive application process, IMI selected five state-based teams comprised of leaders from Medicaid managed care organizations, community based organizations, health care providers, and state Medicaid agencies to participate in a three-year learning collaborative funded by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation. As part of the collaborative, teams will receive guidance and support on determining long-term solutions to integrating, implementing, and sustaining midwifery-led models of care in their state to improve health care. Learn more [here](#).

New IMI Resources

IMI Featured in U.S. Commission on Civil Right Maternal Health Report

The report, "Racial Disparities in Maternal Health," examines how the federal government can address racial disparities in maternal health outcomes. IMI's Dr. Jennifer E. Moore provided critical insight into the role of Medicaid and managed care in supporting these efforts. Read the full report [here](#).



Countdown: 4th Annual Medicaid Health Plan Survey Report Release Event

In November, IMI will release its 4th annual Medicaid health plan survey report, providing a key look into the priorities, programs, and barriers experienced by Medicaid health plans in 2020. This year's report covers eight priority topics, including COVID-19 and Health Equity & Structural Racism. Learn more about IMI's previous reports [here](#).

Stay Up to Date

Did you miss one of our recently released new resources? Below is a snapshot of our articles, reports, tools, and other resources across several key categories. You can learn more about the mission and vision behind IMI's work [here](#).

COVID-19

- [Recuperative Care & COVID-19 in the Medicaid Population](#)
- [Opportunities to Support Optimal Health for Children in Medicaid Beyond the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [How States Are Facilitating Medicaid Enrollment During COVID-19—And How They Can do Even More](#)
- [Medicaid Enrollment during COVID-19: A Content Analysis of State Actions to Mitigate Barriers](#)

Advancing Health Equity

- [Using Data to Reduce Disparities and Improve Quality](#)
- [Leveraging Value-Based Payment Approaches to Promote Health Equity: Key Strategies for Health Care Payers](#)

High-Value, Evidence-Based Maternal Models of Care

- [Opportunities for Medicaid Stakeholders to Advance Midwifery-Led Models of Care](#)
- [Opportunities to Advance Midwifery-Led Models of Care: A Checklist for Medicaid Stakeholders](#)

Come Work with Us!



Join the IMI team! IMI has secured funding to expand our maternal health and health equity work. To support our exciting new initiatives, we are hiring a [health equity fellow](#), [executive assistant](#), and [data and project manager](#) to work on Medicaid-specific projects related to the mission and strategic priorities of IMI. Learn more about these opportunities [here](#).

On the Virtual Road with IMI

Are you interested in learning more about the work of IMI? Join us **virtually** at one of the many events, meetings, and conferences across the United States! Check the list of upcoming events below and remember to register.



The Council of State Government: Medicaid Leadership Academy

September 29- October 1, 2021

[Register](#)

Health Affairs Briefing: Perinatal Mental Health

October 8, 2021 | 1-2:30pm ET

[Register](#)

Get Involved!

We have included a summary of the topics and projects that IMI's committees are actively tackling. Are you interested in joining the discussion? Email us at Info@MedicaidInnovation.org.

Dissemination & Implementation Committee

- Best practices in Medicaid managed care.
- Reducing disparities through health system and payment reform.
- COVID-19 vaccine distribution in the Medicaid population.
- Community-based models of care, including community health workers.
- High-value, evidence-based maternal models of care.

Subcommittee on the Health of All Women in Medicaid

- Disparities and state variation in maternal mortality and morbidity.
- High-value, evidence-based maternal models of care.
- Updating the women's health section of the annual Medicaid MCO survey.
- Prenatal and postpartum mood disorders during COVID-19.

Child & Adolescent Health Subcommittee

- Effect of COVID-19 on children's health including a focus on immunization rates and well-child visits.
- State strategies to reduce barriers to children's enrollment in Medicaid.
- Parental mental health including maternal depression, ACEs, and child abuse.
- School-based health centers in Medicaid.
- Behavioral health of school-aged children.
- Youth in the child welfare system.
- Childhood obesity.

Behavioral Health Subcommittee

- Role of technology in improving behavioral care access, coverage, and outcomes.
- Physical and behavioral health integration including value-based payment and high-risk care coordination.
- Substance use disorder.
- Maternal mental health including prenatal mood disorders and postpartum depression.

Data & Research Committee

- Annual Medicaid MCO survey.
- Collection of information related to telehealth, health equity, and structural racism through IMI's annual Medicaid health plan survey.
- Risk adjustment models in Medicaid.
- State Medicaid enrollment form including readability and collection of SDOH data.
- State strategies to facilitate Medicaid enrollment during COVID-19.
- Impact of community health workers and the processes by which they achieve impact.
- Medicaid state facts.

Annual Medicaid MCO Survey Subcommittee

- Annual Medicaid MCO survey.
- Market analysis and benchmarks on Medicaid managed care.
- Trend analysis of Medicaid MCOs, 2016-2020.
- Collection of information related to COVID-19, telehealth, health equity, and structural racism through the survey.

Social Determinants of Health Subcommittee

- Readability and accessibility of the state Medicaid enrollment form.
- Impact of community health workers and the processes by which they achieve impact.
- Impact of COVID-19 on SDOH for Medicaid members and CBOs.
- Role of MCOs in addressing food insecurity for Medicaid enrollees.

Communication Committee

- Collaboration and dissemination efforts of IMI resources.
- Building social media campaign centered on Medicaid enrollees.

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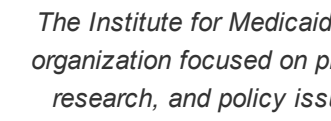
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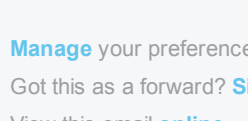
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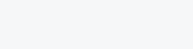
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