



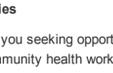
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In this month's edition of the IMI newsletter, we cover the following topics:

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## Recent Announcements

### Virtual Event: IMI's Annual MCO Survey Release

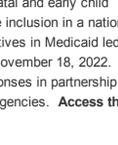


Friday, November 4, 2022 | 2-3:00 PM EST

IMI's flagship project, the [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#) funded Annual Medicaid Managed Care Organization Survey Report, will be released at a live virtual event with a reactant panel of Medicaid experts. Register now to learn key results and trends, hear Medicaid experts' reactions to the findings, and discover how Medicaid health plans and state Medicaid agencies can use the findings. [Register here.](#)

### Registration Open: Community Doula and Perinatal CHW Learning Series

Are you seeking opportunities to learn more about doulas and perinatal community health workers specific to the Medicaid population? In partnership with Every Mother Counts, we are launching a national learning series centered on community doula care and perinatal community health workers (CHWs). The learning series, developed with support from Community Health Acceleration Partnership (CHAP), aims to create pathways to implementation for Medicaid stakeholders — including state Medicaid agencies and Medicaid health plans, provider groups, and professional associations — to expand access to quality, respectful, and equitable maternity care. [Register here.](#)



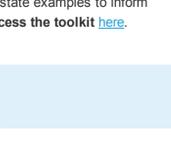
### Request For Information: Innovation in Perinatal Health



Do you have an innovative initiative focused on perinatal and early child health? We want to hear about your work for possible inclusion in a national report highlighting best practices and innovative initiatives in Medicaid led by Medicaid health plans. The RFI is open for through November 18, 2022. Medicaid health plans are encouraged to submit responses in partnership with community-based organizations and state Medicaid agencies. [Access the RFI here.](#)

### New Toolkit: Five Strategic Components to Support Health Equity in Medicaid

With support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation through the [Advancing Health Equity](#) project, a new toolkit has been developed recognizing Medicaid's critical role in advancing health equity through the development of strategic plans to address health equity. To assist state Medicaid agencies, this toolkit proposes five core components of a health equity strategic plan. It outlines considerations, resources, and state examples to inform Medicaid stakeholders undertaking agency-wide health equity efforts. [Access the toolkit here.](#)



## New IMI Resources

### Future of Medicaid Risk Adjustment: CDPS + Rx Version 7.0 is Ready

Last month, IMI, in partnership with the University of California San Diego, released the CDPS+Rx version 7.0, representing a major revision of the CDPS model using ICD-10 native data from national Medicaid managed care organizations from 2017-2019. Furthermore, phase III of the project has begun with the goal of conducting an exploratory analysis to determine if weights can be established for social determinants of health (SDOH). [Learn more.](#)



## 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.](#)

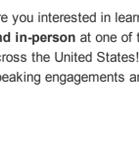
### COVID-19

- [Medicaid Managed Care's Pandemic Pivot: Addressing Social Determinants of Health to Improve Health Equity](#)
- [Impact of COVID-19 on Eligibility for the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program](#)
- [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](#)

### Perinatal Mental Health

- [Policy Opportunities To Improve Prevention, Diagnosis, And Treatment Of Perinatal Mental Health Conditions](#)
- [Mental Health Conditions Increase Severe Maternal Morbidity By 50 Percent And Cost \\$102 Million Yearly In The United States](#)
- [Perinatal Mental Illness is Very Common. How Can It Be Improved?](#)
- [Health Affairs Briefing: Perinatal Mental Health](#)
- [Navigating Mental Health Services While Pregnant](#)

## Come Work with Us!

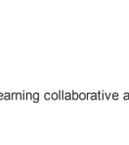


### New Job Opportunity: Operations Manager

IMI is looking to add a new member to the team as an [Operations Manager](#). Learn more about IMI job opportunities [here.](#)

## On the Virtual Road with IMI

Are you interested in learning more about the work of IMI? Join us **virtually and in-person** at one of the many events, meetings, and conferences across the United States! Check the list of events below to see upcoming speaking engagements and archived recordings.



### Register Now!

#### IMI's 2022 Annual Medicaid MCO Survey Release Event

On Friday, November 4th, join IMI and a panel of Medicaid thought leaders as they unveil the findings from the 2021 [annual Medicaid MCO survey](#).

[Register](#)

#### American College of Nurse-Midwives: Health Policy Summit

Join IMI's Dr. Jennifer E. Moore for a robust presentation on IMI's midwifery learning collaborative and IMI's work improving maternal health in the Medicaid space.

November 14, 2022; Washington, DC

[Register](#)

### In case you missed it...

In the past months, IMI presented at a number of virtual events. Watch and listen to archived recordings from the events below:

#### March of Dimes Conference: Igniting Impact Together: Birthing Equitable Communities

Utilizing data from IMI's annual Robert Wood Johnson Foundation-supported Medicaid MCO survey IMI's Sarah Hurbert and Drs. Emily Heberlein and Jennifer Moore presented findings central to perinatal health specific to the Medicaid population. Additionally, IMI's Rebecca Johnson, Andrea McGlynn, and Dr. Jennifer Moore presented on the Kellogg Foundation-funded national Medicaid midwifery learning collaborative initiative.

October 24-25, 2022; Atlanta, GA

#### IMI Webinar Archived Recording: "Connecting Hands & Hearts: Behavioral Health Partnerships for Children & Adolescents During the Pandemic"

This webinar explores the critical role of community partnerships in Medicaid to improve access to behavioral health care for children and adolescents. It features a range of experts across Medicaid and community organizations, moderated by IMI Subcommittee on Behavioral Health Co-Chair **Ann Giazzoni, MSW, LCSW, MBA** (she/her) and IMI Subcommittee on Child and Adolescent Health Chair **Sandra Hassink, MD, MS, FAAP** (she/her).

[Watch](#)

#### IMI Virtual Release Event Archived Recording: "Medicaid Managed Care's Pandemic Pivot: Addressing Social Determinants of Health to Improve Health Equity"

Moderated by IMI Social Determinants of Health chair, Heleta Belai, six panelists representing three innovative initiatives discuss opportunities for community partners and health plans to collaborate on addressing social determinants of health and inequities exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Watch](#)

## What's Next for IMI: Looking Ahead at 2023

At IMI, we are excited to share a glimpse into the work that we will be leading in the upcoming year. Here a sneak peek at what we have planned.

- The annual Medicaid MCO survey will return for its sixth year.
- IMI's national midwifery learning collaborative will enter its third year.
- Two new learning series will launch, including the [Doula and Perinatal Community Health Workers in Medicaid series](#).
- IMI continues its research into equity in the [Advancing Health Equity](#) collaborative.

... and so much more!

## 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](mailto:Info@MedicaidInnovation.org).

### Dissemination & Implementation Committee

- Gender affirming care
- Impact of the pandemic on cancer screening and preventive health services
- COVID-19 vaccination
- Collaboration with SDOH subcommittee's priorities

### Behavioral Health Subcommittee

- Perinatal mental health
- Substance use harm reduction
- Trauma-informed care

### Child & Adolescent Health Subcommittee

- Impact of Medicaid redetermination on children after the public health emergency
- Prevention of chronic disease in children, through a community and equity lens
- Data opportunities for quality initiatives

### Women & Gender Health Subcommittee

- Annual Medicaid MCO Survey: Women & Gender Health section
- Measurement of patient engagement & experience perinatal health
- Implementation of Doulas; Perinatal Community Health Workers
- Measuring racism in perinatal health
- Gender Affirming Project

### Data & Research Committee

- Annual Medicaid MCO survey
- Health Plan strategies to facilitate Medicaid redetermination post the public health emergency
- Collection and use of sexual orientation / gender identity data
- Exploring equitable access to coverage and care.

### Annual Medicaid MCO Survey Subcommittee

- Annual Medicaid MCO survey.
- Reduction of Annual Medicaid MCO survey burden.
- Collection of information related to COVID-19, telehealth, health equity, and structural racism through the survey.

### Social Determinants of Health Committee:

- SDOH Data:
  - Standardization of SDOH measures – NCCA
  - SDOH Data Gaps
- Housing/Individuals experiencing homelessness
- Community Health Workers

### Communications Committee

- New committee member recruitment
- Communications best practices

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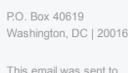
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