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In the May edition of the IMI newsletter, we cover the following topics:

[Hear From IMI Volunteer Leader and Change Agent Karen Dale](#)

[Contribute to the Redetermination Narrative](#)

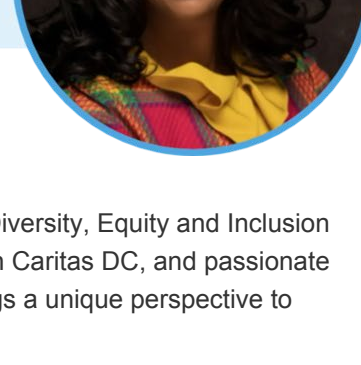
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IMI Signature Series Interview: Karen Dale, MSN, RN



IMI recently interviewed Governing Board member Karen Dale, Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer for AmeriHealth Caritas, Chief Market President for AmeriHealth Caritas DC, and passionate advocate for individuals covered by Medicaid insurance. Ms. Dale brings a unique perspective to lowering barriers to accessible care and creating sustainable change.

Interview snippet:

"Change can happen in peaks and valleys, but when we are in the valleys, it can actually be harming communities. We've got to spend the time on the rigor to ensure that we've given the change the best chance of doing the good we intend."

Read the full interview [here](#).

MCO Redetermination Survey

Be a Part of the Redetermination Narrative

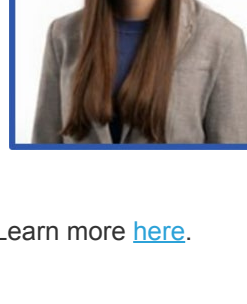
IMI has just launched a new, national survey to capture information that can be used to inform federal and state policymakers. With support from the [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#), the survey provides insight on the evolution of barriers, challenges, and successes health plans are experiencing as they engage in Medicaid redetermination.



If your Medicaid health plan is interested in participating, please contact the project team at MCOsurvey@MedicaidInnovation.org.

Learn more [here](#).

IMI in the News



IMI's Dr. Clare Brown Honored with AcademyHealth Award

IMI senior fellow Dr. Clare Brown, PhD, MPH, was announced as the 2023 Alice S. Hersh Emerging Leader Award winner by AcademyHealth. The honor recognizes "researchers who show exceptional promise for future contributions to the field."

Dr. Brown was recognized for her first-author publications in leading healthcare journals, such as Health Affairs, JAMA, Pediatrics, Women's Health Issues, Obstetrics & Gynecology, among others.

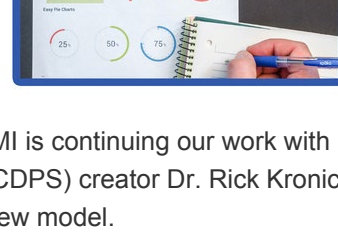
Learn more [here](#).

IMI Work Cited in Federal Midwifery Report

The Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission (MACPAC) cited IMI's work in a recent report on the benefits of midwifery-led models of care in improving maternal health outcomes.

The report details how access to midwifery-led models of care and access to birthing centers can alleviate the maternal health crisis in the U.S. IMI's findings in [Improving Maternal Health Access, Coverage, and Outcomes in Medicaid](#) are cited several times. Read the full MACPAC report [here](#).

Upcoming IMI Resources



Upcoming CDPS & CDPS+Rx Resources

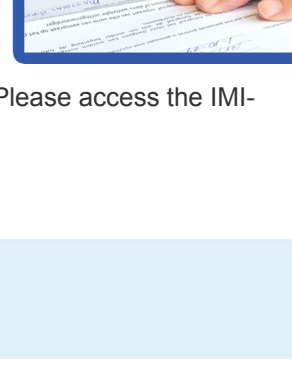
In April, IMI and the University of California San Diego (UCSD) [presented updates](#) to a significant risk adjustment model in Medicaid. [The updated model](#) will assist state Medicaid agencies and health plans in more accurately developing their risk adjustment methodologies.

IMI is continuing our work with UCSD, including Chronic Illness and Disability Payment System (CDPS) creator Dr. Rick Kronick, to create another FAQ document to address questions about the new model.

Redetermination Resources

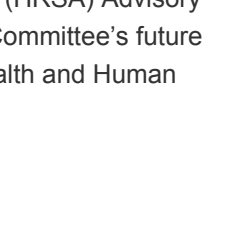
Access Past IMI Resources to Inform Effective Redetermination Processes

IMI would like to highlight two past reports on the mitigation of barriers and opportunities for improvement in Medicaid enrollment. As individuals covered by Medicaid and Medicaid health plans manage the impacts of the end of the public health emergency and subsequent redetermination, these reports may serve as helpful resources as strategies are developed and implemented to mitigate coverage losses. Please access the IMI-authored *Health Affairs* report [here](#) and the IMI [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.



Federal Advisory Committee on Infant and Maternal Mortality

IMI's founding executive director **Dr. Jennifer Moore, PhD, RN, FAAN**, (she/her) will present maternal and child health findings to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Advisory Committee on Infant and Maternal Mortality. The presentation will inform the Committee's future priority areas and recommendations to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.

June 14, 2023; HRSA Headquarters, Rockville, MD

Association for Community Affiliated Plans CEO Summit

IMI's founding executive director **Dr. Jennifer Moore, PhD, RN, FAAN**, (she/her) will serve on a panel that seeks to answer important questions about how Medicaid health plans are responding to the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency and subsequent redetermination.

June 15, 2023; Washington, D.C.

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:

Doula & Perinatal Community Health Worker in Medicaid Session #6: "Ensuring Community Engagement, Equity, and Accountability in Medicaid"

The speakers include **Chanel Porchia-Albert, CD, CPD, CLC, CHHC** (Ancient Song, she/her); **Sayida Peprah, Psy.D** (Frontline Doulas / Diversity Uplifts, she/her); and **Elizabeth Tinker, PhD, MPH, MN, RN** (Washington State Health Authority, she/her).

May 4, 2023; virtual event

[View Session](#)

Next Generation of Medicaid Risk Adjustment: Updating the CDPS Model & Exploring SDOH Data

IMI, in partnership with the University of California San Diego (UCSD), recently presented the update to the Chronic Illness and Disability Payment System (CDPS), CDPS + Rx risk adjustment model for Medicaid. The webinar features IMI founding executive director **Dr. Jennifer Moore, PhD, RN, FAAN** (she/her) alongside project collaborators and original developers of the model, **Drs. Richard Kronick, PhD** (he/him) and **Todd Gilmore, PhD** (he/him).

April 13, 2023; virtual event

[Watch Webinar](#)

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

- 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
- Health Plan strategies to facilitate Medicaid redetermination post the public health emergency
- 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 – NCQA
 - SDOH Data Gaps
- Housing/Individuals experiencing homelessness
- Community Health Workers

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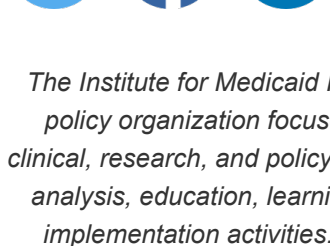
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