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Newsletter

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New Blog:

[Five Strategies for More Effective Assessments of State Demonstrations](#)

What are state and federal policymakers looking for when they invest in state health care demonstration projects? Results. In our latest [blog](#) we look at how policymakers need evaluation data to justify investments to legislators and other stakeholders, and to accurately assess the effectiveness of the demonstrations.

While also looking at how gauging the impact of state demonstrations through monitoring and evaluation requires a great deal of time and effort from both state and federal officials: collecting and reporting data, participating in evaluators' interviews and site visits, and reading and processing monitoring reports require considerable staff capacity. Read the full blog [here](#).

See also our recent brief [Determining the Impact of State Demonstrations: Considerations for State and Federal Policymakers](#).

[Is Housing Good Medicine for States?](#)

Supportive housing has been credited as one intervention for chronically homeless individuals who have improved their health and reduced emergency department use. According to one federal agency, supportive housing is "an approach to subsidized housing that provides voluntary services for people with disabilities and chronic conditions to promote long-term stability, recovery and improved health," and has been documented in recent media reports featuring the chronically homeless. See the latest State Refor(u)m [blog](#) and a new [chart](#) of state strategies to support health through housing services.



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State Strategies for Integrating Health Care and Housing for Homeless Individuals and Families

September 14, 2015 12:30pm (ET)

States interested in improving population health and containing costs are increasingly examining the intersection of housing and health care. As numerous studies show, housing chronically homeless people can improve their health and save money for state and local governments. This State Refor(u)m webinar will offer participants an opportunity to learn about cross-agency levers states can use to meet the housing and health needs of homeless populations. The [webinar](#) will also address the financing mechanisms, data infrastructure and strategic partnerships that facilitate the blending of health care and housing funding streams. **Trish Riley**, NASHP Executive Director, will moderate the webinar. **Peggy Bailey**, Senior Policy Advisor at the Corporation for Supportive Housing, will offer a national overview of the topic and state perspectives will be provided by Texas Medicaid Director **Kay Ghahremani**; and Oregon Health Authority Director of Systems Innovation **Chris DeMars**.

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