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# Webinar Today

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## **Integrating Community Health Worker Models into Evolving State Health Care Systems**

As states transform their health systems, many are turning to CHWs to tackle some of the most challenging aspects of health improvement, such as facilitating care coordination, enhancing access to community-based services, and addressing social determinants of health. As interest in CHWs continues to rise, so do challenges related to defining roles and scope of practice, training and certification, financing, and integrating CHWs into evolving health care systems. This webinar will describe the federal government's investment in CHWs to set the context and feature speakers from state agencies in Massachusetts, New Mexico, and South Carolina who will shed light on how each state is addressing these important issues.

### **Moderator:**

- **CDR Thomas Pryor**, United States Public Health Service, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services Innovation Center Project Officer

### **Speakers:**

- **Kari Armijo**, Health Care Reform Manager, Medical Assistance Division, New Mexico Human Services Department
- **Allie Gayheart**, Manager of Health Initiatives, South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
- **Gail Hirsch**, Director, Office of Community Health Workers, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

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