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Newsletter

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[Blog: State Marketplaces' Proof is in their Performance at Congressional Oversight Hearing](#)

Last week, six state-based marketplace directors (CA, CT, HI, MA, MN, and OR) [testified](#) before the U.S. House of Representatives Energy and Commerce Committee's Oversight and Government Reform

Investigations Subcommittee, where they faced tough questions on their marketplace performance, impact and future prospects. The hearing was notable for its intensive focus on operations, signaling a new emphasis on marketplace performance and outcomes. For those who missed it, here is our [summary](#).

[Last chance to apply for learning collaborative on evidence-based policymaking!](#)

Don't forget, applications for NASHP's new learning collaborative, [From Engagement to Evidence: Using PCOR and CER to Inform State Policymaking](#), are due tomorrow, **Wednesday, October 7 by 5pm ET!** With support from the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), NASHP will select three states to participate in this learning collaborative designed to assist states in developing processes to use patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR) and comparative effectiveness research (CER) to inform policymaking. Slides and answers to FAQs from our informational webinar are now available with the RFA [here](#). Please email fheider@nashp.org with any additional questions about this opportunity.



Top 5 Reasons to Attend the 28th Annual State Health Policy Conference

Hurry, time is running out. [Don't miss this opportunity!](#)

1. Timely, topical sessions

The [2015 State Health Policy Conference](#) is designed to address the latest developments and initiatives facing health care in the states today. We are proud to offer more than 20 thoughtfully crafted [sessions](#).

2. Non-stop Networking

Don't miss the chance to join more than 700 health policy leaders to focus on the latest advances, changes, programs, and policies facing health care in the states today. The conference offers endless opportunities to network, including [conference roundtables](#) to discuss best practices and solutions to a specific issue among a small group of your peers, as well as our [opening reception](#) and [Tuesday evening reception](#).

3. Top-notch Speakers

From start to finish the [2015 State Health Policy Conference](#) will feature distinguished speakers addressing a host of topics important to state health leaders. On Monday, Erin C. Fuse Brown, JD, MPH, Assistant Professor of Law at Georgia State University's College of Law, will address attendees as the keynote of the opening plenary, [The Double-Edged Sword of Health Care Integration: Consolidation and Cost-Control](#). On Tuesday our morning kicks-off with [The Next Frontier: Global Budgets and Other Strategies to Tackle Health Care Costs](#) where speakers from Maryland, Massachusetts, and Vermont discuss how they are addressing the total cost of care and the cost conundrum. John McDonough, Ph.D., professor of public health practice at the Harvard School of Public Health, will be our Tuesday lunch keynote, providing an in-depth discussion on [The ACA at 5: What's Next for States](#). Douglas Jutte, MD, MPH, executive director of the Build Healthy Places Network, will be the keynote of our closing plenary [Health Happens in Neighborhoods \(And What We Can Do About It\)](#). See a full list of [speakers](#).

4. Exhibitors

NASHP's diverse exhibitors come together once a year as part of the State Health Policy Conference to improve healthcare for our population. See the latest and greatest in state health care solutions and innovative ideas that allow you to implement results for stronger health policy. A full list of exhibitors is available [here](#). Want your company to be an exhibitor? You still have time; contact [Ellen Touns](#) for more information.

5. Dallas

They say everything is bigger in Texas, and our host city offers many amenities that make attending a conference there ideal. Home to a major airport with numerous flights in and out of the city daily, a robust public transportation system, and a vibrant cultural scene Dallas has much offer. Join NASHP for a complimentary walking tour of the city, which provides additional time to network with your fellow attendees and gives you a jumpstart on your day. And don't forget about our evening reception at Dallas landmark [Gilleys](#)!

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