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Are States Losing Key Tools for Health Reform?

A new [blog](#) from NASHP's Trish Riley looks at the Supreme Court's recent decision in *Gobeille v Liberty Mutual*, which denied the state's ability to mandate claims submission from self-funded ERISA health plans and may have started us down a slippery slope that could limit states' broader health reform activities of states. [Read the full blog](#).

New Webpage for State Health Insurance Marketplaces

NASHP is launching a new and improved [webpage and resource center](#) for the State Health Exchange Leadership Network. Informally known as Exchangers, the Network enables interactions between state officials and staff across the nation working to provide affordable, high-quality coverage to consumers through health insurance marketplaces. This [new page](#) provides a more streamlined hub to disseminate resources and research related to NASHP's work with marketplaces for 2016 and the future.

Sponsorship opportunities and exhibit spaces are going fast, secure yours today!

The 29th Annual State Health Policy conference (October 17-19, Pittsburgh, PA) will be here before you know it. With registration opening next month, now is the time to secure your place as a [sponsor](#) and [exhibitor](#). Get your company name and products in front of key health

policy officials. With more than 700 attendees from all 50 states and the District of Columbia, the NASHP Annual Conference offers unparalleled access and the ability to increase awareness of your brand among target audiences. Visit our [conference webpage](#) for more information.

Webinar: Medicaid Quality Improvement to Address High-Cost Conditions: Spotlight on Diabetes

[Register now](#) for the first in a series of three webinars sponsored by CMS to highlight successes and lessons learned through the [Adult Medicaid Quality](#) (AMQ) Grant Program. The first [webinar](#), scheduled for **Thursday, April 14th**, from 1-2:30 p.m. ET will spotlight states' projects aimed at improving the quality of comprehensive diabetes care for adult Medicaid beneficiaries. State speakers will share interventions, outcomes data, overall results and lessons learned, and CMS will highlight a new opportunity for cross-state learning through a diabetes affinity group. Participants will hear from **Deirdra Stockmann, PhD**, a health insurance specialist at the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services, and **Judy Zerzan, MD, MPH**, the Chief Medical Officer and Client and Clinical Care Office Director for the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing; and **Steven Colangelo**, a research analyst at the Connecticut Department of Social Services.

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Open Position: Policy Director - Chronic and Vulnerable Populations Policy Team

NASHP is seeking an individual to join the Chronic and Vulnerable Populations policy team as a Project Director. The Project Director will lead day-to-day operations for at least one major initiative for NASHP, and will join additional project teams as a team member. The primary focus of this work will be on state and federal health policy issues related to major state healthcare delivery system reforms. This includes managing a large federally funded initiative providing technical assistance to states to accelerate new payment and delivery system reforms, including the integration of physical and behavioral health care systems. [For more information or to see more health policy jobs](#).

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