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## Newsletter

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### Could Federal CHIP Funding Be Extended This Week?

State CHIP Directors are anxiously waiting for the Senate to vote on H. R. 2, the bill crafted and passed by the House to repeal and replace Medicare's Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR), which also includes an extension on federal CHIP funding through federal fiscal year 2017.

For more information on CHIP, including state fact sheets, a summary of a January survey of CHIP directors, a financing explanation, as well as states' projected spending – check out NASHP's [Children's Health Insurance Resources](#) page.

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### State Exchanges Breaking New Ground

Recent reports have tried to compare enrollment and retention in the state-based exchanges (SBEs) and federally-facilitated marketplace (FFM) during the second open enrollment period. These reports gloss over the role the SBEs play in driving innovation in health care coverage.

[This blog](#) highlights state exchanges' early work on partnering with Medicaid agencies, influencing insurance markets, developing consumer support technology, leading outreach efforts to the uninsured, and planning for long-term exchange sustainability.

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### Register for NASHP'S Next Webinar:

#### Oral Health – Evidence and Strategies to Improve Care and Reduce Costs

April 24, 2015  
2:00-3:00pm ET

*This webinar is supported by the Washington Dental Service Foundation.*

#### Speakers:

- Dr. Marjorie Jeffcoat, Professor and Dean Emeritus, University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine
- Julie Bluhm, Clinical Program Manager, Hennepin Health
- Reactor: Dr. Bob Russell, Public Health Dental Director, Iowa Department of Public Health

- Moderator: Andrew Snyder, Program Manager, NASHP

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## Save the Date for NASHP Annual Conference Registration Now Accepting [Sponsors](#) and [Exhibitors](#)

Designed by state health policymakers for state health policymakers, the National Academy for State Health Policy's annual conference continues to be the premier educational and networking event for health policy professionals.

[Attend NASHP's annual conference](#) for the tools and resources needed to support and enhance your work in state health policy. Network with peers from across the country and hear from the industry's leading experts on cutting-edge topics and the issues most important to your work.

Look for the conference agenda and exciting speaker announcements coming soon! Don't forget registration begins May 8!

## [NASHP Job Opening: Communications and Community Engagement Manager](#)

NASHP is seeking a Communications and Community Engagement Manager to implement marketing, publications and events tactics. The successful candidate will direct online community engagement strategies, utilize strong organizational and writing skills, and demonstrate a passion for media and community outreach. This position reports to the Director of Communications and Community Engagement.

Those interested in applying for this position should e-mail a cover letter and resume to: [search@nashp.org](mailto:search@nashp.org), with "Communications and Community Engagement Manager" in the subject line. NO CALLS ACCEPTED. [See the complete job description](#) .

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