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What's at Stake for States? The Lines are Drawn in *Gobeille v. Liberty Mutual*

NASHP released a [new issue brief](#) on upcoming U.S. Supreme Court case *Gobeille v. Liberty Mutual*. The case, which the court will hear on December 2nd could limit states' ability to collect essential data to advance payment reforms, address cost and quality and assure consumers have information and access to care. At issue is whether or not a state can compel a self-insured employer to submit health care claims - data that shows how much was paid for health care services - to the state's all-payer claims data system (APCD). Eighteen states have enacted laws to create all-payer claims data systems and 20 more are considering doing so. See the full brief [here](#).

Talking Coverage: SBMs Keep Lines of Communication Open with Consumers

In our latest [blog](#) we explore how states with a SBM are communicating with customers to improve satisfaction and enrollment. The blog looks at new tools and initiatives implemented for the latest open enrollment, as well as looking ahead at future plans. See the full blog [here](#).

[It's All About Collaboration: Highlights from the Behavioral Health Preconference](#)

A new NASHP [blog](#) provides highlights from our October preconference session: Whole Person Care: Finding Shared Health, Substance Use, and Medicaid to Promote Recovery. This [session](#) brought together a diverse group of state and federal Medicaid and mental health leaders to discuss emerging issues. See the [blog](#) here.

Upcoming Webinar: [HCCI Emerging Uses of Claims Data Webinar Part I](#)

December 3, 2015

2:30pm ET

Join us for the first of a two-part webinar series highlighting new research from the Health Care Cost Institute (HCCI)-NASHP State Health Policy Grant Program, an initiative that leverages national claims data to inform state health policy questions. This [webinar](#) will focus on the impact of three state policies that promote alternative providers or methods of treatment to effect costs, including: nurse practitioner scope of practice laws, open access to physical therapy, and telehealth options. NASHP Executive Director **Trish Riley** will moderate the conversation with HCCI's Vice President of Stakeholder Engagement **Scott Leitz**; **Dr. Ulrike Muench**, professor at the University of California San Francisco; **Dr. Fernando Wilson**, professor at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, and **Bianca Frogner**, professor at the University of Washington.

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[Request for Proposals](#)

The Connecting Criminal Justice with Health Care (CCJH) Initiative is currently soliciting responses to the [Request for Proposal due Friday, December 11 at 5PM ET](#). Facilitated by the Urban Institute and Manatt Health, with support from the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance, this initiative targets the intersection of broad national debates about mass incarceration, the opiate epidemic, and the crisis in America's mental health system. Participating states and localities, chosen based a competitive process, will work with national experts to design, test, refine, and monitor solutions in three key areas: (1) Enrolling the justice-involved population into Medicaid; (2) Establishing systems of health care tailored to meet the distinctive needs of the justice-involved population; and (3) Creating sustainable financing mechanisms for health care provided to inmates in justice settings. Partnerships of state and local justice agencies, the state Medicaid program, and other stakeholders will come together through "Learning Collaboratives" to identify their highest priority problems, develop solutions, create performance measures, and adjust approaches during implementation. A [one-page, high-level description of the CCJH Initiative](#) is available to further inform interested parties. An [informational webinar for prospective applicants](#) will be held [on Monday, November 30, from 1:00-2:30 PM ET](#).

Medicaid Innovation Accelerator Program (IAP): Community Integration - Long-Term Services and Supports

IAP launched the IAP Community Integration-Long-Term Services and Supports (CI-LTSS) program area via an informational webinar (webinar slides are posted on the [IAP CI-LTSS page](#) . Program support will be offered in two distinct areas: Housing-Related Services and Partnerships (HRSP) and Incentivizing Quality and Outcomes (IQO) in community-based LTSS programs.

Additional information about the program support available can be found in the [Program Overview](#) . States interested in these types of program support are asked to review the [State Selection Factors](#) and submit an [Expression of Interest](#) by December 1, 2015.

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