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## Webinar Tomorrow

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

Oral health is linked to overall health, and mounting evidence suggests that addressing oral health can improve patient care, improve population health, and reduce costs. In this webinar, a leading researcher will share findings from a study of private insurance claims linking treatment of gum disease with significantly lower costs for individuals with diabetes and other chronic conditions. You will also hear about a program under way at Hennepin Health in Minnesota to connect patients with regular dental care and prevent costly visits to hospital emergency departments. NASHP will provide an overview of a new brief and online toolkit that explore these topics and draw out lessons for state policymakers.

This webinar is supported by the Washington Dental Service Foundation.

#### Speakers:

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

Moderator:

- **Andrew Snyder** , Program Manager, National Academy for State Health Policy

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