

**State Coverage Initiatives**



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# All-Payer Claims Databases: Background

Pre-Conference on All-Payer Claims  
Databases: State-Based Initiatives

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# About State Coverage Initiatives

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- The State Coverage Initiatives (SCI) program provides timely, experience-based information and assistance to state leaders in order to help them move health care reform forward at the state level
  - Supports a **community** of state officials
  - Provides unbiased **information**
  - Offers responsive **policy and technical assistance**
- National program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation administered by AcademyHealth
- [www.statecoverage.org](http://www.statecoverage.org)
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# Historical Backdrop 2005-11

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- Increased Transparency Efforts
- Employer Coalitions
- Payment Reform
  - Patient Centered Medical Home
  - Accountable Care Organizations
- Health Information Exchange (HITECH)
- Federal Health Reform (PPACA)

## Definition of APCDs

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- Databases, created by state mandate, that typically include data derived from medical, eligibility, provider, pharmacy, and/or dental files from private and public payers:
  - Insurance carriers (medical, dental, TPAs, PBMs)
  - Public payers (Medicaid, Medicare)

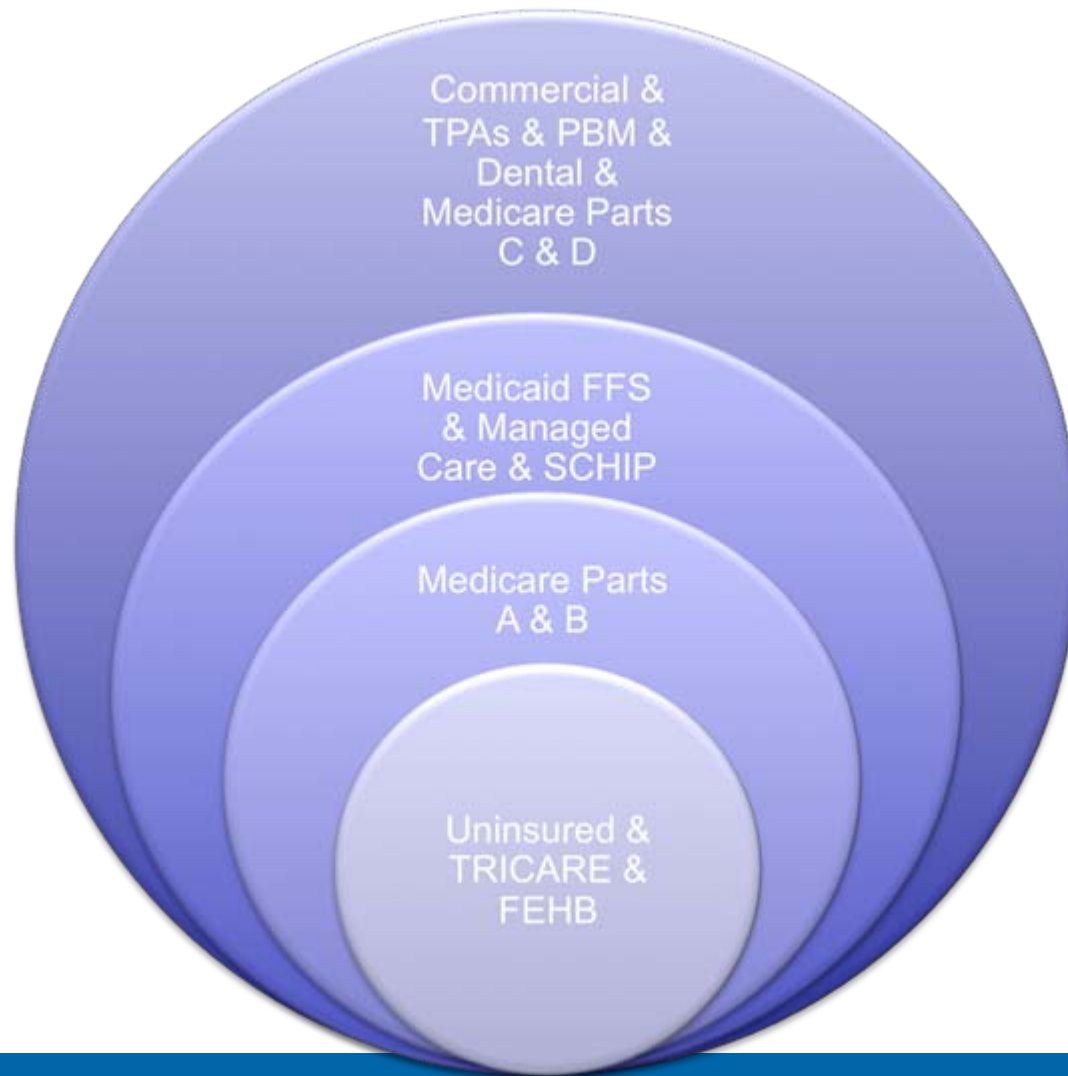
# APCDs Are About Transparency

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- Which hospitals have the highest prices?
- In what geographies is public health improving?
- What percentage of my employees have had a mammogram?
- If emergency room usage in Medicaid is higher than the commercial population, what are the drivers?
- What is the average length of time people are using antidepressant medications?
- How far do people travel for services? Which services?
- Hundreds of additional questions have been asked....

# Sources of APCD Data

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# Typically Included Information

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- Encrypted social security
- Type of product (HMO, POS, Indemnity, etc.)
- Type of contract (single person, family, etc.)
- Patient demographics (date of birth, gender, residence, relationship to subscriber)
- Diagnosis codes (including E-codes)
- Procedure codes (ICD, CPT, HCPC, CDT)
- NDC code / generic indicator
- Revenue codes
- Service dates
- Service provider (name, tax id, payer id, specialty code, city, state, zip code)
- Prescribing physician
- Plan payments
- Member payment responsibility (co-pay, coinsurance, deductible)
- Date paid
- Type of bill
- Facility type



# Typically Excluded Information

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- Services provided to uninsured (few exceptions)
- Denied claims
- Workers' compensation claims
- Referrals
- Test results from lab work, imaging, etc.
- Provider affiliation with group practice
- Provider networks
- *Premium information\**
- *Capitation fees\**
- *Administrative fees\**
- *Back end settlement amounts\**
- *Back end P4P or PCMH payments\**





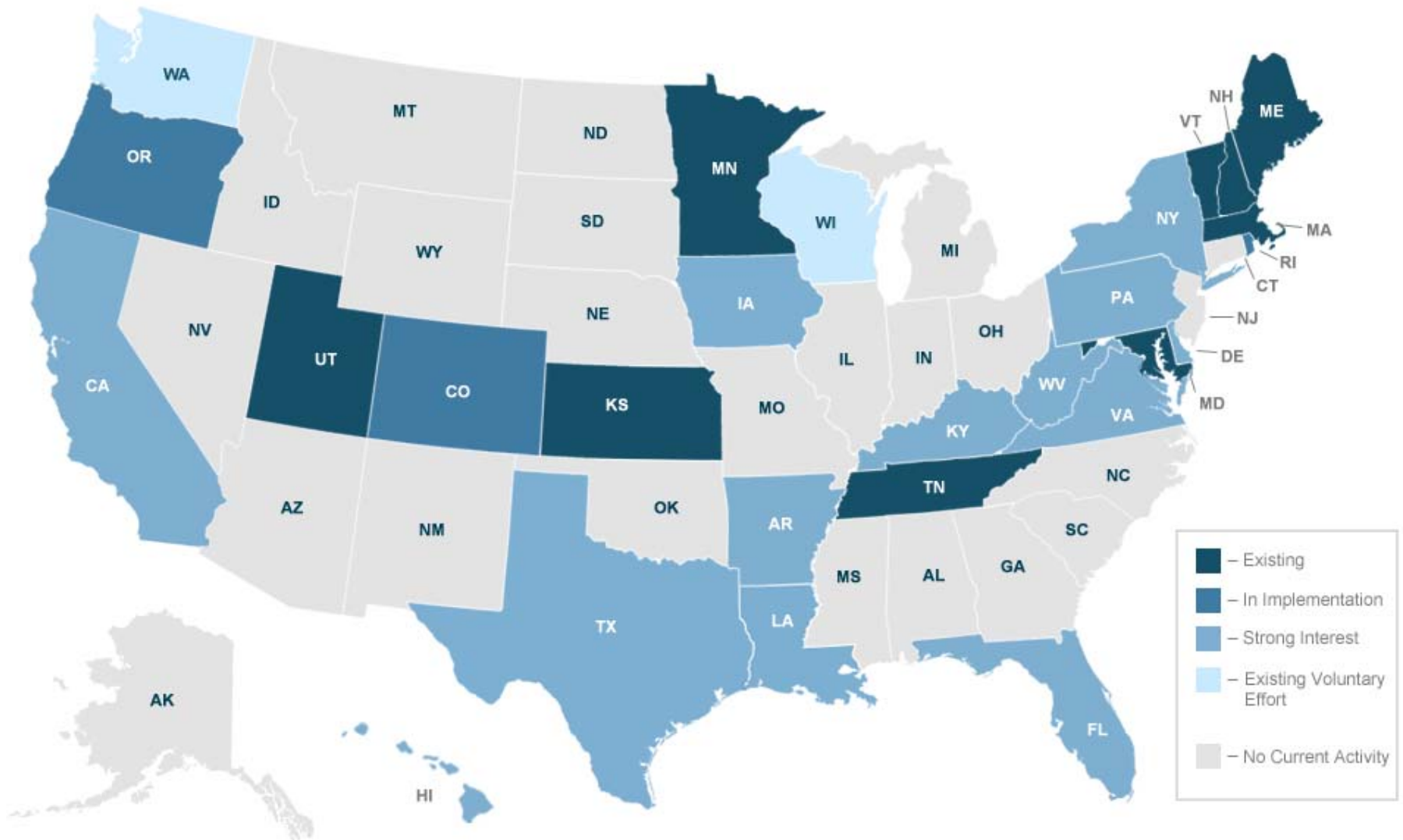
# APCDs Can Augment:

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- Hospital Discharge Data
- Medicaid Claims
- Medicare Claims
- Survey Data
- Clinical Data Sets
  - Electronic Health Records
  - Health Information Exchange
  - Public Health Data Sets



# State Status as of 3/11



# Something for Everyone...An Evolution

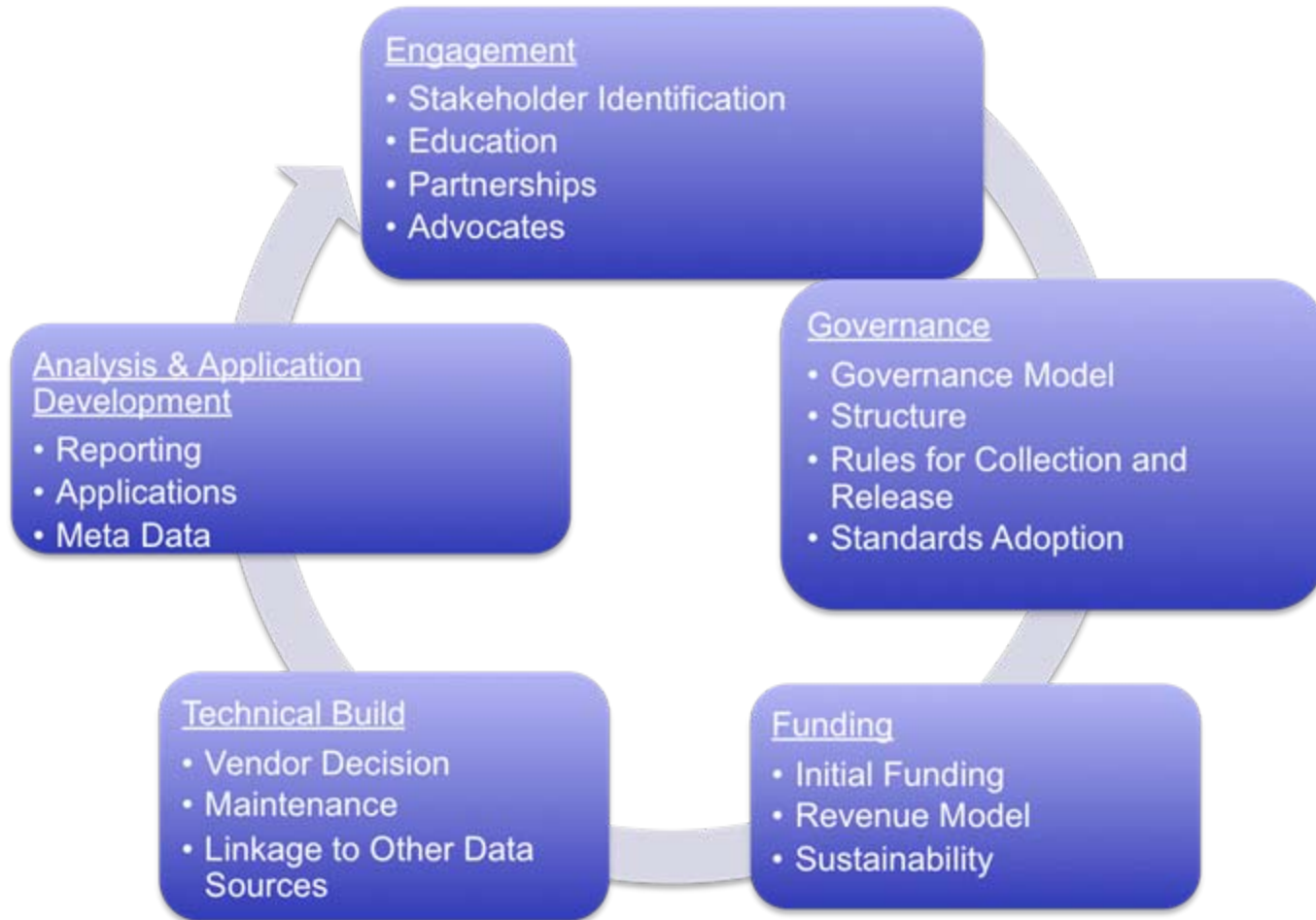
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- Consumers
- Employers
- Health Plans/Payers
- Providers
- Researchers (public policy, academic, etc.)
- State government (policymakers, Medicaid, public health, insurance department, etc.)
- TBD (Federal government, etc.)



# APCD Road Map

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# Implementation Starting Point

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- Location of State Authority by Statute
- Funding
- Development of Collection Rules
  - Covered Populations
  - Submission Frequency
  - Thresholds and Exclusions Examples
- Development of Release Rules
- Location of Processing
- Payer Relations
- Multi-Stakeholder Issues and Cooperation

# Components of Cost

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- Population Covered (size)
- Number of Carrier Feeds
  - Membership Thresholds
- Provider Database
- Data Release / Access
- Analytics, Reporting, Applications

# Funding Models

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- General Funds
- Assessments (payers, providers)
- Medicaid 90/10 (& maintenance)
- Private Foundations
- Data Sales
- Beacon Community Grant (RI)



# APCDs and Health Care Reform

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- Care Coordination/Medical Homes
  - Preventable events, admissions/readmissions, amb-sensitive conditions
- Payment Reform
  - Focus from price transparency to alternative pricing models
- ACOs: (analytics + transparency) APCD + accountability
  - Risk adjustment is very important – establishing benchmarks
  - Events - not only conditions
- Patient Safety/Quality Improvement
  - Preventable complications
  - Outpatient, not just inpatient
- Health Promotion



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