



Using State Surveys to Evaluate Health Care Reform

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Overview

- Overview of state survey activity
- Description of State Reform Survey Workgroup goals and activities
- Value and challenges of state surveys

State Survey Reform Workgroup

- Formed Fall 2010 to provide guidance on priority data needs for monitoring progress on health reform efforts
- 44 members across 18 states and 1 territory:
 - Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Utah, Vermont, U.S. Virgin Islands, Washington, and Wisconsin

Workgroup Activities

- Conference call, December 2010
 - Coverage
 - Navigability/Experiences with health insurance
 - Affordability
 - Access
 - Provider supply
 - Emergency department use
 - Usual source of care/medical home
- Survey of priorities, March 2011
- Compilation of survey items began Fall 2012

State Reform Survey Domains

(in order of priority within domain)

<h2>Coverage</h2>	<h2>Emergency Department Use</h2>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navigability • Difficulty purchasing insurance • Problems experienced with coverage • Difficulty enrolling in public program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of ED for non-emergency care • Number of ED visits in past 12 months • Reason for ED care
<h2>Affordability of Care</h2>	<h2>Usual Source of Care</h2>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out-of-pocket costs • Forgone care due to costs • Problems paying medical bills • Financial problems caused by health care costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Usual source of care and type • Multi-dimensional medical home series • Care coordination • Reason no usual source of care
	<h2>Provider Supply Barriers</h2>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problems finding a provider

Members of 13 states participated

State Reform Survey Item Matrix (SRSIM)

- Excel file with sort and filter functions; can filter multiple columns at the same time
- Features state surveys (19 states; 1 territory) and includes NHIS, CPS and Commonwealth Fund survey
- Limitations
 - Does not include evaluative component
 - Items are out of context – reviewing placement made easy via hyperlinks to survey source

STATE REFORM SURVEY ITEM MATRIX (SRSIM)					
Domain	Desired Metric	Federal/State Survey	Survey Source (click on cell for hyperlink to source)	Exact Metric/Survey Question from Data Source	
214	Insurance coverage	Uninsurance (Duration)	State	Massachusetts Health Reform Survey (2010)	F10 How many months were you/your relationship uninsured
215	Insurance coverage	Uninsurance (Yes/No)	State	Massachusetts Health Reform Survey (2010)	F9 During the PAST 12 MONTHS, did you/your relationship ha
217	Access	Able to get appointment when wanted, etc.	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	DOCAPP In the past 12 months, how often were you (were y
218	Access	Confidence in care	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	CONFID How confident are you that you (TARGET) can get the
219	Access	Usual source of care (where)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	USCKIND Where do you (does TARGET) usually go for medica
220	Access	Usual source of care (yes/no)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	USC Is there a regular place that you go (TARGET goes) for me
221	Emergency room use	ED visit(s) in past year	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	EREVER In the past 12 months, how many times did you (TAR
222	Emergency room use	Reason for ED visit(s)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	ERREASON I'm going to read you a list of reasons why some p
223	Insurance coverage	Reasons for new coverage	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	INSD2 Thinking back to the time you (TARGET) got your (his/h
224	Insurance coverage	Reasons for uninsurance	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	PRIOR2 What was the main reason your (TARGET's) insurance
225	Insurance coverage	Reasons for uninsurance	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	UNIN2 And what is the main reason your (TARGET's) coverage
226	Insurance coverage	Uninsurance (Duration)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	DUR At any time---in the past 12 months---(have you/has TAR
227	Insurance coverage	Uninsurance (Duration)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	INSD3 Before you (TARGET) got your (his/her) current covera
228	Insurance coverage	Uninsurance (Duration)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	EVERT How long has it been since you (TARGET) had any heal
229	Insurance coverage	Uninsurance (Duration)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	UNIN3 How many months has it been since you (TARGET) hac
230	Insurance coverage	Uninsurance (ever covered)	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	EVER Have you (Has TARGET) ever been covered by health in
231	Utilization	Non-ER visits	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	DOC6M In the past six months, how many visits did you (TAR
232	Access	Discrimination	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	RACDIS How often does your (TARGET's) race, ethnicity, or na
233	Access	Discrimination	State	Minnesota Health Access Survey (MNHA 2011)	PAYDIS SPLIT INTO SEPARATE QUESTION STEMS BY INSURANC
234	Access	Able to get appointment when wanted, etc.	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.307_01.010 For this visit, how long did you have to wait
235	Access	Barriers to care	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.051_00.010 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did you have
236	Access	Barriers to care	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.057_00.010 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, were you tol
237	Access	Delayed care/unmet need (by reason)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.061_01.000-05.000 Have you delayed getting care for an
238	Access	Delayed care/unmet need (due to cost)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.111_05.010 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there an
239	Access	Usual source of care (reason)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.050_00.010 Why don't you (doesn't sample child) have a
240	Access	Usual source of care (where)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.030_00.000 Fill 1: What kind of place is it -- a clinic, doct
241	Access	Usual source of care (where)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.037_00.000 What kind of place do you USUALLY go to wh
242	Access	Usual source of care (where)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.040_00.000 At any time in the PAST 12 MONTHS did you
243	Access	Usual source of care (yes/no)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.020_00.000 Is there a place that you usually go to when
244	Access	Usual source of care (yes/no)	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.035_00.000 Is that the same place you USUALLY go when
245	Utilization	Health care visits	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.306_00.010 Thinking about your last visit for any type of
246	Access	Online health care system navigation	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.309_00.010-00.050 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have
247	Affordability	Financial problems	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	FHI.325_00.010 IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did you/anyone in t
248	Affordability	Out-of-pocket spending	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	FHI.320_00.000 In the PAST 12 MONTHS, about how much did
249	Affordability	Worried about medical bills	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.113_00.010 If you get sick or have an accident, how wor
250	Emergency room use	ED visit(s) in past year	Federal	National health Interview Survey (NHIS 2011)	AAU.740_00.000 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many ti

Value and challenges of state surveys

- State-specific surveys provide data in all three priority areas: **coverage, affordability, access**
 - Consistency in domains; less uniformity in items
 - Less resources for testing new item
- State-specific survey advantages and challenges
 - Flexibility to alter survey content to include new policy relevant questions
 - Quick turnaround data availability
 - Survey cost and population coverage
- State-specific survey have and will continue to play a role in monitoring health reform

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