



**Health Care Reform  
Advisory Committee  
Work Groups:  
Draft for Discussion Purposes**

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## Health Insurance Exchange

Meeting 1: Impact on individual and small group health insurance markets  
*(jointly with Commercial Market Reforms Workgroup)*

Meeting 2: Role of the Exchange: active purchaser, clearinghouse, or selective contracting agent

Additional Topics:

1. Markets: *(jointly with Commercial Market Reforms Workgroup)*
  - a) size of small groups
  - b) inclusion of large groups
2. Establishment of a Basic Health Plan: pros and cons for New York *(jointly with Public Health Insurance Programs Work Group)*
3. Certification of Qualified Health Plans
4. Navigators *(jointly with Outreach and Enrollment Work Group)*
  - a) role in the Exchange (including brokers)
  - b) role in the commercial market (including brokers)
5. Information technology *(jointly with Public Health Insurance Programs Work Group)*
6. Structure of the Exchange: statewide or regional
7. Benefits: Essential Health Benefits Package, transparency through web portal and uniformity, and limited medical benefits *(jointly with Outreach and Enrollment Work Group)*

*Note: These are not final lists of work group topics.*

## Commercial Market Reforms

Meeting 1: Six month insurance reforms under the Affordable Care Act

Meeting 2: Impact on the commercial market resulting from the decision to separate or combine individual and SHOP Exchanges  
*(jointly with the Exchange work group)*

### Additional Topics:

1. Markets: *(jointly with Exchange Workgroup)*
  - a) size of small groups
  - b) inclusion of large groups
2. Benefits: *(jointly with Exchange Workgroup)*
  - a. transparency through web portal and uniformity
  - b. Essential Health Benefits Package
  - c. limited medical benefits
3. Quality measurements: health plan and provider measurements
4. Premiums: rate review, risk adjustment, coordination with Exchange to manage risk flow

## Public Health Insurance Programs

Meeting 1: Medicaid eligibility rules: streamlining categorical eligibility and the path to MAGI

Meeting 2: Prevention and quality measures

### Additional topics—non-eligibility:

1. Medicaid reimbursement alternatives
2. Medical homes, ACOs, and integrated care models  
*(jointly with Cost Containment/Delivery System Reforms Work Group)*
3. DSH reductions: implications and strategies

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## Public Health Insurance Programs

### Additional topics—eligibility:

1. ACA impact on Medicaid rules: coordination between Medicaid and the Exchange (no wrong door) and other changes
2. Benchmark benefits: definitions and the enhanced match rate
3. Coverage for immigrants: provisions for lawfully present immigrants and assess options for NY
4. The non-MAGI population: ensuring they are not left behind in the promise of simplification
5. Eligibility systems: needs and options (*jointly with Exchange Work Group*)
6. Pregnant women: impact on coverage and the Family Planning Benefit Program
7. Presumptive eligibility and other mandates: impact on hospitals and expansion of presumptive eligibility
8. Establishment of a Basic Health Plan: pros and cons for NY (*jointly with Exchange Work Group*)

## Outreach and Enrollment

Meeting 1: Effective enrollment and retention strategies for ACA target populations: focus on low income childless adults

Meeting 2: Effective enrollment and retention strategies for ACA target populations: focus on children and families

### Additional Topics:

1. Effective enrollment and retention strategies for ACA target populations:
  - a) Immigrants
  - b) Low-income seniors
2. Navigators (*jointly with Exchange Work Group*)
  - a) role in the Exchange (including brokers)
  - b) role in the commercial market (including brokers)
3. Exchange outreach, enrollment, and retention strategies

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## Cost Containment/Delivery System Reforms

Meeting 1: Primary care

Meeting 2: Medical homes, ACOs, and integrated care models  
*(jointly with Public Health Insurance Programs Work Group)*

Additional topics:

1. Evidence-based medicine
2. Paying for value
3. Dual eligibles *(jointly with Long Term Care Work Group)*
4. Administrative Efficiencies
5. Standardization

## Public Health

Meeting 1: Role of public health in federal health care reform

Meeting 2: Public health grants: received funding and uses, anticipated future funding

Additional Topics:

1. Planning for the Future—the intersection of the Affordable Care Act with:
  - a) the Surgeon General's Strategic Plan
  - b) the NYSDOH Prevention Agenda
  - c) Healthy People 2020
  - d) CDC's Winnable Battles Initiative
2. Federal, state, and local roles to promote the goals of health reform

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## Long Term Care

Meeting 1: Balancing Incentive, Community First Option, and Money Follows the Person

Meeting 2: CLASS Act and nursing home transparency

Additional Topics:

1. Removal of barriers to providing home and community based services
2. Spousal provisions
3. Dually-eligible and Medicare
4. Elder Justice Act Provisions
5. CMS Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation

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