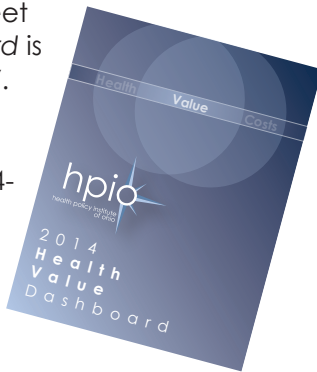


HPIO begins work on next *Health Value Dashboard*

The Health Policy Institute of Ohio has planned the first meeting of its Health Measurement Advisory Group (HMAG) to begin discussion of the 2017 *HPIO Health Value Dashboard*.

The Advisory Group is scheduled to meet on Feb. 11 and the updated *Dashboard* is expected to be released January 2017.

HPIO released its first-ever *Dashboard* (<http://www.healthpolicyohio.org/2014-health-value-dashboard/>) in late 2014. The tool is a new and unique national ranking of states based on health value, a composite measure of population health outcomes and healthcare costs.



The 2014 *Dashboard* has been extremely popular among HPIO stakeholders (see sidebar). From its initial release in December 2014 through the end of 2015, stakeholders viewed the *Dashboard* webpage 6,756 times.

Legislators were particularly responsive to the *Dashboard*. HPIO was invited to testify on the *Dashboard* at the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee and both the Senate Health and Human Services and House Health committees.

"The 2014 HPIO Health Value Dashboard served as a backdrop for all of our [Senate Health and Human Services Committee] work during this General Assembly and I will continue to use this dashboard as a reference point for us as we enter 2016," Sen. Shannon Jones, chair of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee, wrote in a year-end newsletter. "We must continue to hold ourselves accountable to shared, transparent metrics and HPIO's work provides us with such an opportunity. In fact, I thought this data was so compelling that I invited HPIO to my senate district to share it with community leaders so that a wider audience could understand just what is at stake. These meetings ignited community conversations essential to improving our health and saving precious resources."

The *Dashboard* has reportedly played an important role in informing the work of the legislative Commission on Infant Mortality and two HPIO policy briefs on tobacco (a direct outgrowth of *Dashboard* findings) informed tobacco-use prevention policy discussions during the 2016-2017 budget process.

Stakeholder feedback on the 2014 *Dashboard*

The following comments about the *Dashboard* were given by respondents to HPIO's 2015 annual stakeholder survey:

"The Health Value Dashboard is an amazing tool utilized at the organizational level to persuade policymakers to make changes in statute and regulation to improve Ohio's health care outcomes."

"HPIO's Health Value Dashboard has led to ongoing conversations about the healthcare and health value at the Department of Health."

"The Health Value Dashboard has helped us at the county level with our community health assessment by giving us a common set of metrics to measure and compare the county to the state. This allows us to make policy decisions on programs to enhance or add."

"Your Health Value Dashboard has been used in many settings across Ohio and the nation as an excellent way to approach and understand how we should all be assessing the total health picture in our states."

"The (2014) Dashboard continues to be the go-to document that is shaping policy within many state level meetings."

"I think that HPIOs (Health Value Dashboard) was part of what pushed the Infant Mortality agenda in 2015."

"HPIO's Dashboard is recognized on a bi-partisan basis as setting benchmarks for Ohio's performance on quality indicators."

Complete stakeholder survey results are posted at www.hprio.net/about/impact/

HPIO announces 2016 slate of forums

Paying for value over volume (March 17)

Driven by widespread concern with high healthcare costs, poor health outcomes and fragmented healthcare services, the U.S. healthcare system is gradually transitioning away from fee-for-service to a value-based payment system. This is commonly referred to as paying for value, not volume, of services. Although fee-for-service is still the most common payment system in Ohio and in the nation, change is underway. Get up-to-date information on the payment reform landscape in Ohio and learn how Ohio and other states are accelerating the transition to value-based payment systems that incentivize providers to keep patients healthy, and explore ways to address the social determinants of health.

Investing in what works: Evidence-based policy prescriptions to improve health value (April)

This forum will provide an overview of evidence-based decision making and sources of policy solutions that have been rigorously evaluated and found to be effective. Participants will learn where to go to find research-based interventions, with a focus on policy options shown to reduce health disparities and to address the social and economic conditions that impact health. The forum will focus on Ohio's greatest health challenges, as identified by the HPIO *Health Value Dashboard*.

Exploring policy options for investing in prevention and quality care for Ohio's aging population (June)

The Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University predicts that by 2020 25% of the population in more than half of Ohio counties will be over the age of 60. They also estimate growth in the number of Ohioans over age 65 and 85. This forum will explore policy options for investing in prevention and quality care for Ohio's aging population. Questions to be explored include: What evidence-based practices exist to promote health? How does an increasing focus on quality and consumer engagement effect the quality of long-term services and supports? What options exist to pay for value in this sector?

State policymaking at the intersection of education and health (August)

This forum will explore the strong relationship between education and health with a focus on state-level opportunities to improve health policy in ways that will support third grade reading proficiency and other K-12 education goals, as well as education policies likely to improve child health and wellbeing.

Politics, perceptions and the Presidential election: What's next for health policy? (October)

Come November, Americans will elect a new President. What does this mean for health policy? Will the Affordable Care Act remain intact? If not, what changes may be coming and what are the potential impacts on costs, coverage, and access?

What's on the horizon for state health policy? (December)

This forum will explore one or more emerging themes for state health policy. The topic promises to be both timely and significant.

State releases HPIO population health report

In January 2016, the Governor's Office of Health Transformation (OHT) released a report titled "Improving population health planning in Ohio."



The report, created by HPIO, provides recommendations for strengthening Ohio's population health planning and implementation infrastructure and outlines ways to align population health priority areas, measures, objectives and evidence-based strategies with the design and implementation of the patient-centered medical home (PCMH) model.

HPIO was commissioned by OHT, the Ohio Department of Medicaid and the Ohio Department of Health in September 2015 to facilitate stakeholder engagement and provide guidance on improving population health planning.

Ohio's performance on population health outcomes has declined relative to other states over the past two decades and Ohio has significant disparities for many outcomes by race, income and geography. Ohio also spends more on health care than most other states. "Part of the challenge is the lack of coordination across ten state-level health improvement plans and 110 local health district and 170 hospital community health assessments/plans," according to an OHT release.

In December 2014, the federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation awarded Ohio a four-year \$75 million State Innovation Model, or SIM, test grant for implementation of episode-based payments and rollout of a state-wide PCMH model over a four-year period. As part of that funding, Ohio must also develop a population health plan.

OHT will coordinate the implementation of the HPIO recommendations in 2016.

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