

National Health Care Surveys:

Addressing the Affordable Care Act and Other Exciting Health Policy Issues



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Care in physician offices and hospitals

National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey

National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey

National Hospital Discharge Survey – **New National Hospital Care Survey**

Long-term care

National Nursing Home Survey

National Home and Hospice Care Survey

National Survey of Residential Care Facilities

New National Survey of Long-term Care Providers



Issues for Health Care Reform

Improved access to health care

- Health insurance coverage
- Physicians' acceptance of new patients
- Difficulty referring patients

Improved quality of care/evidence-based practice

- Appropriateness of clinical management

Reduced rise in health care expenditures

- Appropriate preventive services
- Electronic health records
- Use and price of health care services

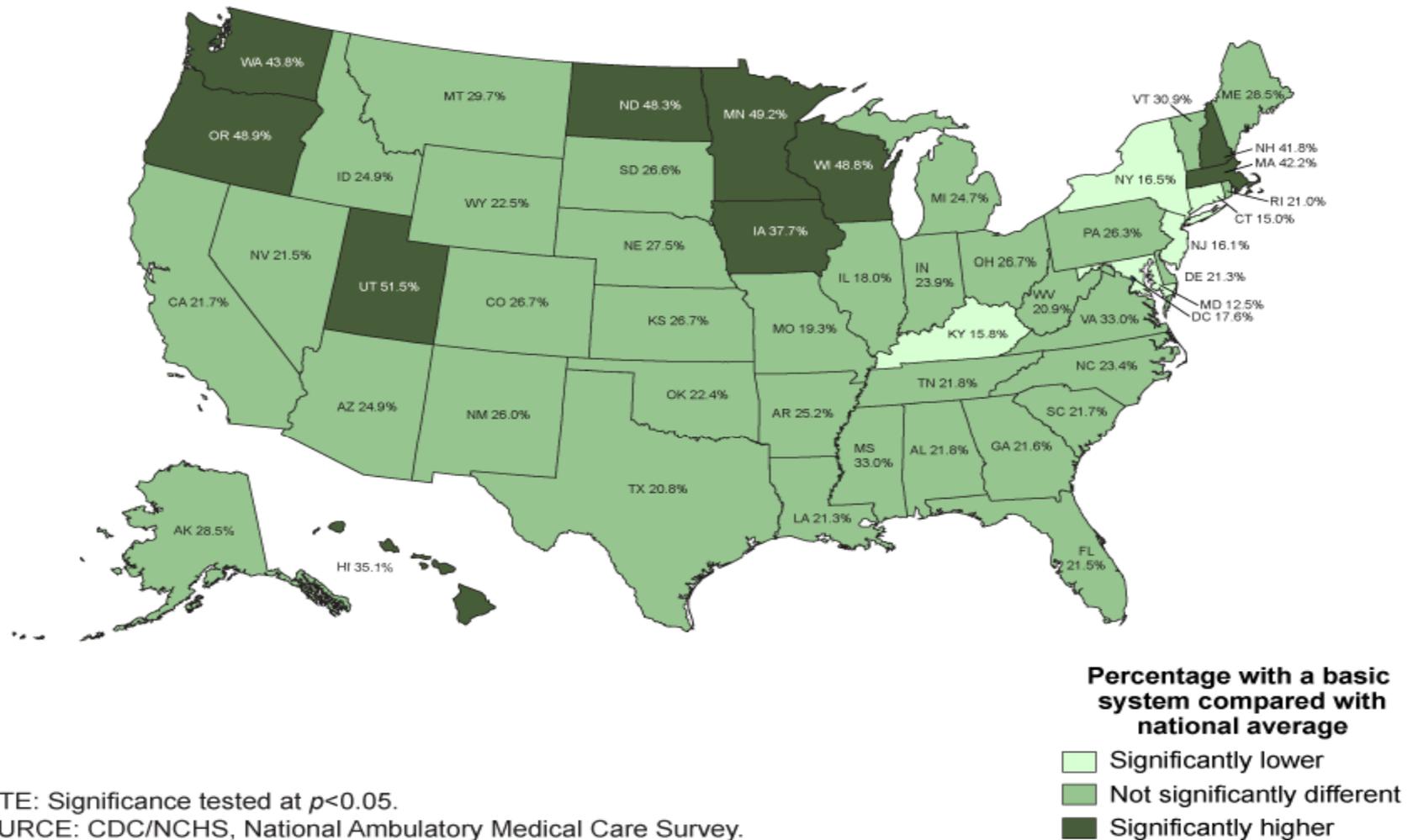


Results Coming Soon --

NAMCS Mail Survey of Electronic Health Record (EHR) Systems: Dec. 2011 Office-based physicians' adoption State-level estimates

- Adoption of EHR
- Readiness for Meaningful Use
- Intention to Apply for Meaningful Use Incentives

Figure 3. Percentage of office-based physicians with a basic system, by state: United States, preliminary 2010



NOTE: Significance tested at $p < 0.05$.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey.

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EHR Physician Workflow Survey

First of 3-year longitudinal follow-up survey of physicians in various stages of EHR adoption -- late 2011

Costs, Benefits, Barriers related to EHR use



New NAMCS 2011 Mail Survey

- Are you currently accepting new patients?
- From those new patients, which of the following types of payment do you accept?
- What percent of your current patients have Medicaid/CHIP?



Coming Soon --

National Survey of Residential Care Facilities: available late 2011
Facility- and resident-level data

NAMCS 2010: available early 2012
Lab results related to cardiovascular disease

NHAMCS 2010: available early 2012
Free-standing ambulatory surgery centers



Changes Underway

ACA funded Improvements to
NAMCS/NHAMCS funded with Prevention
Funds

- State-Based Estimates of Clinical Preventive Services
- Clinical Data to Evaluate the Quality of Care to Prevent Heart Disease and Stroke

ASPR funded sample increases to NHAMCS

new National Hospital Care Survey

new National Survey of Long-term Care
Providers



State-Based Estimates NAMCS 2012

- Adds up to 20,200 physicians to the 3,200 in the current NAMCS sample
- Permits monitoring and evaluation of the effects of expanded health care coverage
- Supports state activities to monitor the effects of the expansion of Medicaid programs in reducing morbidity and mortality from chronic disease and other preventable conditions
- Provides state-specific estimates of care provided in physician office and community health centers for 34 states



Questions Related to capacity

- Roughly what percentage of your daily visits are same day appointments?
- Does your practice set time aside for same day appointments?
- On average, how long does it take to get an appointment for a routine medical exam
- Do you see patients in the office during the evenings and weekends?



Quality of Care to Prevent Heart Disease and Stroke

- Identifies patients at high risk
- Expands the current data collection to include risk factors and clinical management 12 months prior to the office visit
- Permits the monitoring and evaluation of clinical preventive services for prevention and treatment of the Nation's major cause of death and disability: Heart Disease and Stroke



Role of the ED under Health Reform

- 2012 -- Adds 167 EDs to the NHAMCS sample in the 5 most populous states – CA TX NY FL IL
- Permits state-specific estimates of length of visit, wait time and volume by payment type.
- Supports state activities to monitor the effects of the expansion of Medicaid programs on Emergency Departments



Building on NAMCS/NHAMCS

- Infrastructure already in place to collect data for physician offices, emergency and outpatient departments and community health centers
- NAMCS/NHAMCS data on characteristics of physician offices and hospitals, produces a rich data set to evaluate the effects of the ACA according to different practice characteristics.



Adds to our capabilities

- Computerizes the data collection
- Improves the timeliness of the data
- Increases in sample size for State based estimates increases the precision of estimates by other characteristics as well
- Adds the collection of retrospective, longitudinal data to the capabilities that we can offer



National Hospital Care Survey 2011-12

- Currently recruiting 500 hospitals for the inpatient component of the NHCS
- electronic claims data
- Collects data on all inpatients
- Collects PII for linkage to the National Death Index and data from CMS and measures of rehospitalization



National Hospital Care Survey -- 2013

- Integrating NHAMCS
- Move toward electronic collection of data as hospitals adopt EHRs we will move to extracting clinical data from EHRs
- Permit special studies as needed
- Adding DAWN to the ED



National Survey of Long Term care Providers – late 2012

Estimate the national supply of paid, regulated LTC providers

Determine key provider characteristics and practices

Estimate the use of paid, regulated LTC providers

Determine key encounter characteristics

Monitor national trends in LTC supply and use over time, overall and by type of LTC provider



Thank you