



# Market Research: Critical Input to Exchange Success







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## **Objectives**

- Discuss importance of market research as critical input to Exchange establishment
  - Discuss current States research areas and gaps in analyses
  - Highlight questions every State should be able to answer
- Discuss next steps for future State discussions and information sharing



## Market Research: Essential Input to Exchange Implementation

Stakeholder Input

Market Research
Fact Base

**Exchange Policy & Operations Decisions** 

Regulatory & Political Environment

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Health Policy Analysis



### State Market Research Areas

#### Coverage

- Profile of current sources of coverage
- Segmentation of current uninsured and underinsured
- Projected Exchange market size
- Analysis of potential churn issues

#### Cost

Assessment of premiums by market

#### **Competition**

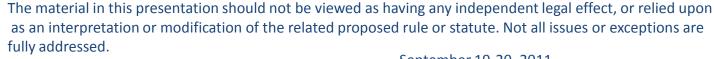
- Issuer market share by market
- Analysis of health insurance plan designs

#### **Provider Access**

- Projected health care utilization
- Review of previous population surveys

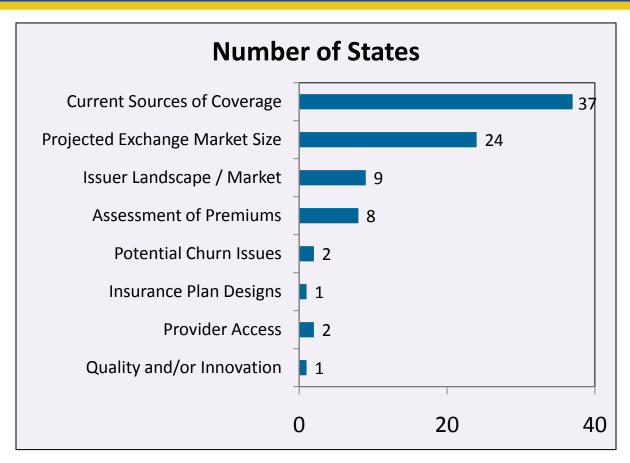
#### **Quality & Innovation**

Health plan quality assessment





## **State Research Gaps**



- 41 States and DC are doing market research
- Majority of research on sources of coverage
- Few States have done research on competition and cost
- Little research on provider access, quality or market innovation

Source: State reporting to CCIIO Project Officers.

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## Competition: Questions Every State Should Be Able To Answer

- Which issuers are in the individual and small group markets? What are their service areas?
- What individual and small group issuers will likely participate in the Exchange?
- Who else might enter local markets (e.g., national issuers, Medicaid MCOs, integrated provider networks, CO-OPs)?
- What are the barriers to entry for the individual and small group markets?



### Market Research Handout

- Questions every State should be able to answer on:
  - Competition
  - Coverage
  - Cost
  - Provider Access
  - Quality & Innovation
- Handout exercise
  - Check each box for each question your State can already answer
  - Count number of boxes checked



## **Next Steps**

- Upcoming Market Research Webinars
  - CCIIO will facilitate monthly calls organized by market research areas
  - Save the date:
    - October 24<sup>th</sup> (Monday): Issuer Competition
    - November 14<sup>th</sup> (Monday): Coverage
    - **TBD:** Cost, Provider Access, Quality, and Market Innovation
- Other suggestions for information sharing?
- Questions?

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