

What Does It Take to Get to Yes?

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The Role of §1115 Waivers

- “In the case of any experimental, pilot, or demonstration project which, in the judgment of the Secretary, is likely to assist in promoting the objectives of title ... XIX....”
- Why might a waiver be an appropriate mechanism from a state and federal perspective to effectuate a Medicaid expansion?

To learn...

1. How will carriers and providers react to...
2. How will access and utilization change if...
3. How will Medicaid enrollees respond to...
4. Will it save money if...

How will carriers and providers react to...

- a consolidated Medicaid/exchange insurance market
- aligned benefit design between Medicaid and the exchange

How will access and utilization change if...

- the Medicaid provider network is the exchange provider network
- benefits are provided as a “wrap around”
- certain benefits are excluded

How will Medicaid enrollees respond to...

- plan choice within the exchange
- financial incentives for wellness
- cost-sharing akin to that in the exchange
- segmentation of benefits by health status

Will it save money if...

- there is less churn
- the Medicaid and exchange networks are the same
- financial and behavioral incentives are employed

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