



New York State Health Innovation Plan

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NEW YORK SIM UPDATES:

- **NEW!** A solicitation for a Communications Consultant has been posted and can be viewed [here](#). The Consultant will support the SIM initiative through development and implementation of a communications strategy intended to educate and inform health care providers, payers and consumers of the benefits of this new care delivery model and of how this new care delivery model aligns with and supports numerous emerging health policies, programs and initiatives. Proposals are due November 23, 2015. Please feel free to share this announcement broadly.
- The Northeast Business Group on Health (NEBGH) has hosted its second round of listening sessions on the Advanced Primary Care model across seven regions of the state, as well as several group health plan meetings. Attached to this email are presentations from these recent meetings. All past materials and ongoing meeting materials will also be added to our website.
- Materials from the September 18, 2015 Transparency, Evaluation, and Health Information Technology Workgroup are available [here](#). Slides from the November 6, 2015 meeting will be posted to the SIM website shortly.
- Slides from the October 16, 2015 Integrated Care Workgroup meeting will also be available for view on the SIM website shortly.

The following SIM job openings remain open. Please feel free to share these postings if you know of someone who may be interested:

- [Director, Innovation Center](#) – The selected candidate will be responsible for directing all aspects of the Innovation Center, a newly-developed office responsible for implementation, oversight, management and evaluation of the State Health Innovation Plan (SHIP) and to oversee the \$100M State Innovation Model (SIM) Testing grant.
- [Public Health Physician 3](#) – The selected candidate will be responsible for the implementation of the SHIP inclusive of development and implementation of an integrated care delivery infrastructure premised on a strong foundation of primary care.

IN THE NEWS:

- **Report on Diabetes in New York State**
The Office of Budget and Policy Analysis released a report outlining diabetes across the state. Described by the State Health Innovation Plan as “arguably our biggest looming health challenge”, diabetes is diagnosed to around 1.6 million adults in New York each year alone. The costs associated with the increasing prevalence of this deadly disease are cause for great concern. To read the detailed analysis, a full version of the report can be found [here](#).
- **Kaiser Family Foundation 2015 Employer Health Benefits Survey**
An annual survey analyzing employer-sponsored health coverage was released in September. The survey was conducted by the Kaiser Family Foundation and the Health Research & Educational Trust and compiled almost 2,000 interviews with private and non-federal public firms. A main finding was a four percent increase in the average premiums for employer-sponsored family health coverage since the previous year. To read the full report, click [here](#).

For more information on SHIP/SIM, visit: http://www.health.ny.gov/technology/innovation_plan_initiative/

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