



# Partnership Update: State of the States

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#### National Reach

- 47 states
- ■160+ health plans



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## **Medicaid's Challenges and Opportunities**

59 million	People in the United States who receive Medicaid benefits.
\$333 billion	Total Medicaid spending in FY 2007.
41%	Total long-term care costs financed by Medicaid.
94%	Medicaid long-term care clients in unmanaged fee-for-service.
8.8 million	People who are dually eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare.
46%	Total Medicaid dollars spent on dual-eligibles.
46%	Adult Medicaid beneficiaries who have more than one chronic condition.
5%	Medicaid beneficiaries accounting for 57% of total Medicaid spending.
\$250 billion	Annual state and federal expenditures for dual-eligibles.



## **CHCS** and the Partnership

- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant
- 10 states competitively selected to receive:
  - ▶ \$50,000 grants for Partnership Implementation
  - Technical Assistance
  - Travel funds to attend meetings
- Additional 8 states receive travel scholarships in 2008

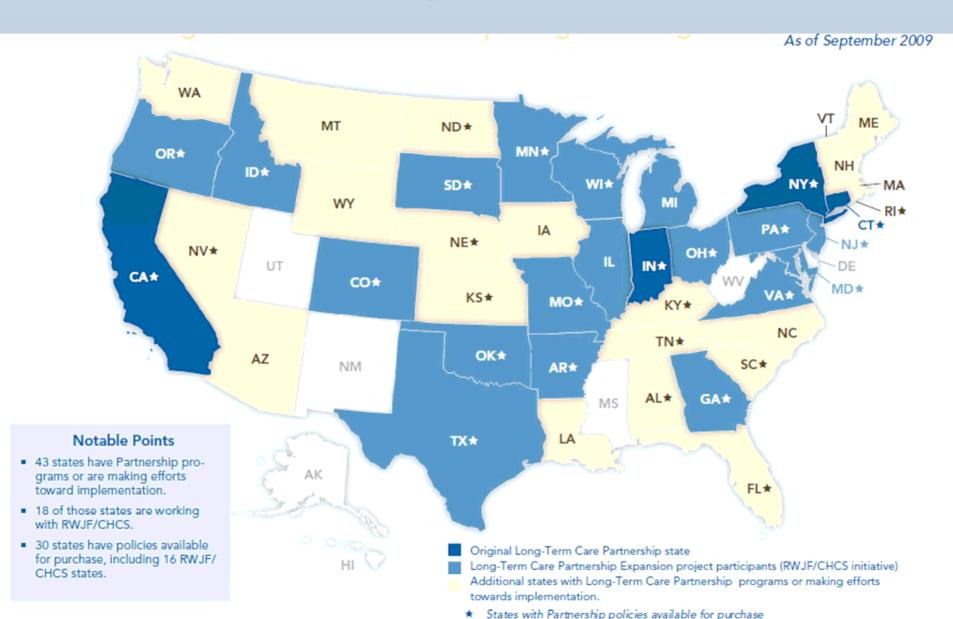


### **Technical Assistance**

- Monthly state technical assistance calls
  - ASPE, Thomson Reuters, Long Term Care Group, CHCS and GWU
  - Recent Examples: Federal data; tiered inflation protection
- Issue briefs
  - Cost effectiveness, inflation protection, Medicaid eligibility, agent training (in process)
- Annual meetings
- Facilitation of state-to-state learning
- Strategic communications training



# **Partnership Progress**



## How did we get here?

- Hard work and collaboration by:
  - State Medicaid agencies
  - State Departments of Insurance
  - Departments of Health, Aging, etc.
  - ▶ Insurance Carriers
  - Agents and Brokers



## States Selling the Partnership

- Community Outreach Forums
  - Colorado and South Dakota
- Collaboration with Own Your Future
  - ▶ Texas, Oklahoma
- Websites, brochures, mailers, etc.
  - Lists of carriers and sometimes agents
  - Materials often available at free or minimal costs to producers
- Go to educational resources
  - SHIPs, local Agencies on Aging



## **Challenges to Success**

- Partnership resources in tight budget times:
  - Staff (few with dedicated Partnership staff)
  - Lack of funds for outreach materials
  - Reducing optional Medicaid benefits
- Applying the asset disregard
  - ▶ Few if any Partnership policies in claim (DRA states)
  - No known applications for the asset disregard to date

## **Next Steps**

 Continued/expanded consumer outreach with consistent and accurate Partnership messaging from states and producers

- Connection of the Partnership to broader LTC planning conversation
- Understanding and taking advantage of opportunities presented by health reform



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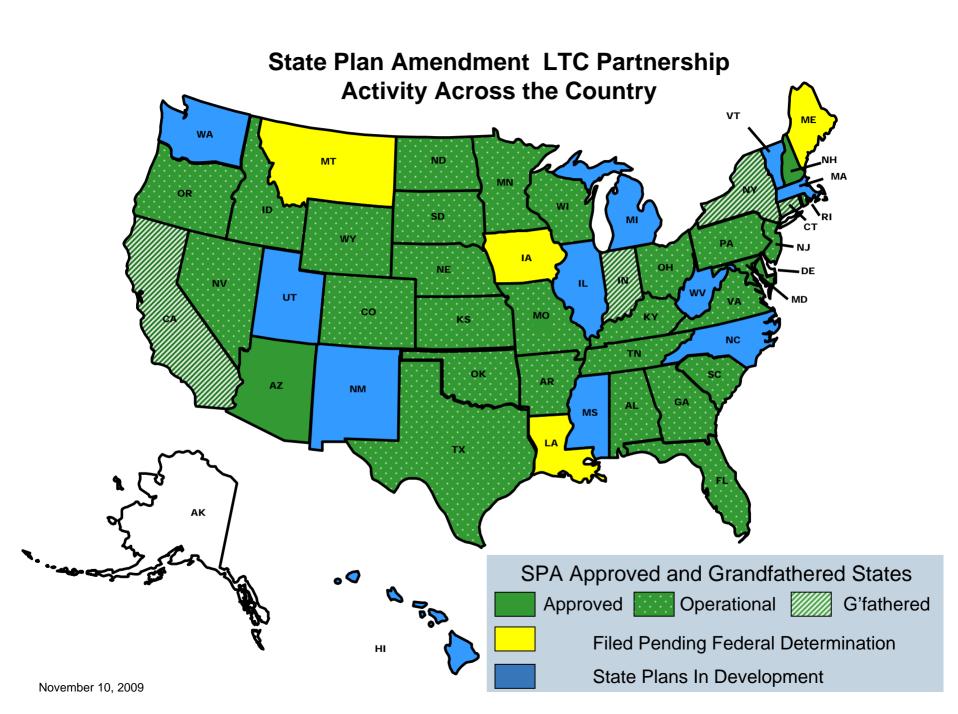
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## **State Implementation Status**

- 27 new states have operational Partnerships, in addition to the four original Partnerships
- 2 states (AZ, NH) have approved SPAs but are not yet operational
- 4 states have SPA filings pending approval with CMS
- 10 additional states have plans in development or have taken some action toward implementing a partnership

Tremendous Progress Since DRA Adoption



## Partnership Sale Demographics

- Just over two-thirds are Individual policies and the rest are Group
- Insureds under age 61 account for 66% of the PQ policies
- Initial data shows concentration among the largest insurers
- Almost all policies are comprehensive with a single lifetime maximum expressed in dollars
- The average lifetime maximum is about \$252,000
- The average daily benefit for facility care is \$168 with roughly equivalent amounts for other levels of care
- The average premium for all insureds is \$1,861, \$2,444 for those ages 61-75.

Source: US Department of Health and Human Services, Partnership Status Report. Based on August 1, 2009 Registry Data

### **State Approaches to Implementing Partnership**

- Legislative, Regulatory or Bulletin Mechanism
- SPA Effective Date (Prospective vs. Retroactive)
- Issuer Certification
- Disclosure Notices

#### Implementation Issues – Observations

#### Producer Training

- Evolving Requirements
- Communication
- Reciprocity
- Timing

#### Exchanges

- Need to Build the Systems & Back-office Support
- Compliance Window
- Product Classes
- Timing of Regulation Effective Date
- Inflation Protection

#### **Group LTCI Partnership Considerations**

- Group Partnership Contemplated in the DRA
- The Group Market Opportunity
- Eligibility for Partnership Under Multi-State Models
- "Extra-territoriality" and the Current Reciprocity Model
- Group Certification Process

#### **Successful Partnership Launch Elements**

- Communication and Cooperation Among State Agencies
- Active Program Promotion to State Residents
- Linkage with LTC Awareness and Incentive Programs
- Partnering with Carriers and Producers on Implementation Issues