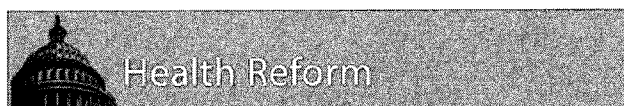




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### State Action Toward Creating Health Insurance Exchanges, as of July 17, 2012

<div>  Table            Map            Map &amp; Table         </div>				
Rank By: Region Name				
	Status of State Action	Source of State Activity	Structure of Exchange	Type of Exchange
<b>United States</b>	16 Established State Exchange 1 Planning for Partnership Exchange 17 Studying Options 10 No Significant Activity 7 Decision Not to Create State Exchange	NA	NA	NA
<b>Alabama</b>	Studying Options	Executive Order <sup>1</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Alaska</b>	Decision Not to Create State Exchange	Executive Branch <sup>2</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Arizona</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>Arkansas</b>	Planning for Partnership Exchange	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>California</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>3</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Active purchaser
<b>Colorado</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>4</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Clearinghouse
<b>Connecticut</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>5</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Active purchaser
<b>Delaware</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>District of Columbia</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>6</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Active purchaser
<b>Florida</b>	Decision Not to Create State Exchange	Executive Branch <sup>7</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Georgia</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Hawaii</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>8</sup>	Non-profit	Clearinghouse
<b>Idaho</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Illinois</b>	Studying Options	Legislative <sup>9</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Indiana</b>	Studying Options	Executive Order <sup>10</sup>	Non-profit	NA
<b>Iowa</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>Kansas</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Kentucky</b>	Established State Exchange	Executive Order <sup>11</sup>	Operated by State	Not addressed
<b>Louisiana</b>	Decision Not to Create State Exchange	Executive Branch <sup>12</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Maine</b>	Decision Not to Create State Exchange	Executive Branch <sup>13</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Maryland</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>14</sup>	Quasi-governmental	To be decided by the Board of Directors
<b>Massachusetts</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>15</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Active purchaser
<b>Michigan</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch <sup>16</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Minnesota</b>	Studying Options	Executive Order <sup>17</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Mississippi</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>Missouri</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Montana</b>	Studying Options	Legislative <sup>18</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Nebraska</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>Nevada</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>19</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Not addressed in legislation
<b>New Hampshire</b>	Decision Not to Create State Exchange	Legislative <sup>20</sup>	NA	NA
<b>New Jersey</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>New Mexico</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA

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<b>New York</b>	Established State Exchange	Executive Order <sup>21</sup>	Operated by State	Not addressed
<b>North Carolina</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>North Dakota</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Ohio</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Oklahoma</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Oregon</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>22</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Active purchaser
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>Rhode Island</b>	Established State Exchange	Executive Order <sup>23</sup>	Operated by State	Active purchaser
<b>South Carolina</b>	Decision Not to Create State Exchange	Executive Branch <sup>24</sup>	NA	NA
<b>South Dakota</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Tennessee</b>	Studying Options	Executive Branch	NA	NA
<b>Texas</b>	Decision Not to Create State Exchange	Executive Branch <sup>25</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Utah</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>26</sup>	Operated by State	Clearinghouse
<b>Vermont</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>27</sup>	Operated by State	Active purchaser
<b>Virginia</b>	Studying Options	Legislative <sup>28</sup>	NA	NA
<b>Washington</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>29</sup>	Quasi-governmental	Not addressed in legislation
<b>West Virginia</b>	Established State Exchange	Legislative <sup>30</sup>	Operated by State	Not addressed in legislation
<b>Wisconsin</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA
<b>Wyoming</b>	No Significant Activity	NA	NA	NA

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Notes: Data are as of July 17, 2012.

Sources: Data compiled through review of state legislation and other exchange documents by the Kaiser Family Foundation. For more detailed descriptions of states' health insurance exchange planning and implementation efforts, please visit State Exchange Profiles: <http://healthreform.kff.org/State-Exchange-Profiles-Page.aspx>.

Definitions: Structure of Exchange: States have the option of establishing the exchange as part of an existing state agency or office (Operated by State), as an independent public agency (Quasi-governmental), or as a non-profit entity (Non-profit).

Type of Exchange: States have flexibility in determining the role of the exchange with respect to contracting with health plans. All exchanges are required to contract only with health plans that meet minimum federal requirements for qualified health plans. States can choose to have the exchange contract with all qualified health plans (clearinghouse) or states can choose to have the exchange contract with selected health plans and/or negotiate premium prices with health plans (active purchaser).

## Footnotes:

- Gov. Robert Bentley issued an Executive Order on June 2, 2011 creating the Alabama Health Insurance Exchange Study Commission to make recommendations as to whether to create an Alabama Exchange. [http://governor.alabama.gov/news/news\\_detail.aspx?ID=5164](http://governor.alabama.gov/news/news_detail.aspx?ID=5164)
- On July 17, 2012, Governor Sean Parnell announced that Alaska will not create a state-run health insurance exchange, and instead will allow the federal government to operate an exchange in the state. <http://www.gov.state.ak.us/parnell/press-room/full-press-release.html?pr=6195>
- California passed two complementary bills in 2010 to establish the Exchange: SB 900 ([http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/09-10/bill/sen/sb\\_0851-0900/sb\\_900\\_bill\\_20100930\\_chaptered.pdf](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/09-10/bill/sen/sb_0851-0900/sb_900_bill_20100930_chaptered.pdf)) and AB 1602 ([http://leginfo.ca.gov/pub/09-10/bill/asm/ab\\_1601-1650/ab\\_1602\\_bill\\_20100930\\_chaptered.pdf](http://leginfo.ca.gov/pub/09-10/bill/asm/ab_1601-1650/ab_1602_bill_20100930_chaptered.pdf)). The bills were signed into law by then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger in December 2010.
- Gov. John Hickenlooper signed SB 200 into law on June 1, 2011 [http://www.leg.state.co.us/clics/clics2011a/csl.nsf/tfsbillcont/3/7233327000DC9A078275780100604CC4?open&file=200\\_enr.pdf](http://www.leg.state.co.us/clics/clics2011a/csl.nsf/tfsbillcont/3/7233327000DC9A078275780100604CC4?open&file=200_enr.pdf)
- Gov. Dannel Malloy signed SB 921 (Public Act 11-53) into law on July 1, 2011 <http://www.cga.ct.gov/2011/ACT/PA/2011PA-00053-R00SB-00921-PA.htm>
- On December 20, 2011 the District of Columbia City Council gave final approval to a bill establishing a health insurance exchange in the District of Columbia (B19-2). <http://dcclims1.dccouncil.us/images/00001/20111220110123.pdf>
- On July 1, 2012, Governor Scott announced that Florida would not be moving forward with a state-based health insurance exchange. <http://www.flgov.com/news-releases/> Although Florida has not taken action to implement an exchange as called for by the Affordable Care Act, the state is proceeding with an initiative enacted in 2008, through SB 2534, to create a new marketplace for small businesses that predates the passage of federal health reform. [http://laws.flrules.org/files/Ch\\_2008-032.pdf](http://laws.flrules.org/files/Ch_2008-032.pdf)
- Gov. Neil Abercrombie signed SB 1348 into law on July 11, 2011 [http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session2011/Bills/SB1348\\_CD1\\_.htm](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session2011/Bills/SB1348_CD1_.htm)
- Gov. Pat Quinn signed SB 1555 (Public Act 097-0142) into law on July 15, 2011 (<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/97/PDF/097-0142.pdf>). In March 2011, the legislature introduced SB 1729 to establish a state-based health insurance exchange which is still pending. <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/97/SB/PDF/09700SB1729sam001.pdf>
- Gov. Mitch Daniels issued an Executive Order on January 14, 2011 [http://www.in.gov/gov/files/Executive%20Orders/EO\\_11-01.pdf](http://www.in.gov/gov/files/Executive%20Orders/EO_11-01.pdf)
- On July 17, 2012, Governor Steven Beshear issued Executive Order 587 establishing the Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange. <http://apps.sos.ky.gov/Executive/Journal/execjournalimages/2012-MISC-2012-0587-222943.pdf>
- On March 23, 2011, Gov. Bobby Jindal announced that Louisiana would not establish a state-run exchange.
- Governor LePage informed the federal Department of Health and Human Services on April 18, 2012, that Maine will not seek to utilize their Level One Establishment Grant funding and will not be pursuing a state-based health insurance exchange.
- Gov. Martin O'Malley signed SB182/HB166 into law on April 12, 2011 [http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/chapters\\_noln/Ch\\_1\\_sb0182T.pdf](http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/chapters_noln/Ch_1_sb0182T.pdf); [http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/chapters\\_noln/Ch\\_2\\_hb0166T.pdf](http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/chapters_noln/Ch_2_hb0166T.pdf)
- Massachusetts passed comprehensive health reform legislation designed to provide near-universal health coverage for state residents in 2006. (Chapter 58. An Act Providing Access to Affordable, Quality, Accountable Health Care, April 12, 2006. <http://www.malegislature.gov/Laws/SessionLaws/Acts/2006/Chapter58> and Part I, Chapter 176Q. Administration of the Government, Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector. <http://www.malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/Chapter176Q> )
- On September 14, 2011, Governor Rick Snyder announced his support for the creation of MI Health Marketplace, a nonprofit to oversee the state's health insurance exchange. <http://www.michigan.gov/snyder/0,4668,7-277--262264--,00.html>
- On October 31, 2011, Gov. Mark Dayton issued Executive Order 11-30 charging the Minnesota Health Care Reform Task Force to recommend strategies to improve overall health care delivery in Minnesota, including advising and overseeing the Exchange Advisory Task Force. <http://mn.gov/governor/images/EO-11-30.pdf>
- In April 2011, the Montana legislature issued HJ 33, a joint resolution to create an Interim Committee to study the implications, options, and repercussions of a state-based health insurance exchange. <http://data.opi.mt.gov/bills/2011/billpdf/HJ0033.pdf>
- On June 16, 2011, Gov. Brian Sandoval signed SB 440 into law [http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/76th2011/Bills/SB/SB440\\_EN.pdf](http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/76th2011/Bills/SB/SB440_EN.pdf)
- On June 18, 2012, Governor John Lynch (D) signed HB 1297 into law, which prohibits the state from participating in or enabling a state-based health insurance exchange. <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/legislation/2012/HB1297.html>
- Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed Executive Order 42 on April 12, 2012, to establish the New York Health Benefit Exchange <http://www.governor.ny.gov/press/04122012-EO-42>
- Gov. John Kitzhaber signed SB 99 into law on June 17, 2011 - <http://www.leg.state.or.us/ltr/2011leg/measpdf/sb0001.dir/sb0099.en.pdf>
- Gov. Lincoln Chafee signed Executive Order 11-09 on September 19, 2011, to establish the Rhode Island Health Benefit Exchange. [http://www.governor.ri.gov/documents/executiveorders/2011/Executive\\_Order\\_11-09.pdf](http://www.governor.ri.gov/documents/executiveorders/2011/Executive_Order_11-09.pdf)
- On July 2, 2012, Governor Nikki Haley opposed South Carolina's implementation of a state-based health insurance exchange in a letter to Senator DeMint. <http://governor.sc.gov/Documents/Letter%20to%20Senator%20DeMint.pdf>

25. On July 9, 2012, Governor Rick Perry informed the federal Department of Health and Human Services that Texas would not be moving forward with a state-based exchange. <http://governor.state.tx.us/files/press-office/O-SebeliusKathleen201207090024.pdf>
26. Utah passed legislation in 2008 (HB 133) and 2009 (HB 188) which directed the Office of Consumer Health Services to create the Utah Health Exchange which allows small employers to participate in a defined contribution arrangement. <http://le.utah.gov/~2009/bills/hbillenr/hb0188.pdf> ; <http://le.utah.gov/~2008/bills/hbillenr/hb0133.pdf>
27. Gov. Pete Shumlin signed into law HB 202 on May 26, 2011. <http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/2012/Acts/ACT048.pdf>
28. Gov. Bob McDonnell signed HB 2434 (Chapter 823) into law on April 6, 2011. <http://ls.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?111+ful+CHAP0823+pdf>
29. Gov. Christine Gregoire signed SB 5445 (Chapter 317) into law on May 11, 2011 <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/documents/billdocs/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Senate%20Passed%20Legislature/5445-S.PL.pdf>
30. Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin signed SB 408 into law on April 5, 2011 [http://www.legis.state.wv.us/bill\\_status/bills\\_text.cfm?billdoc=SB408%20SUB2%20ENR.htm&vr=2011&sesstype=RS&i=408](http://www.legis.state.wv.us/bill_status/bills_text.cfm?billdoc=SB408%20SUB2%20ENR.htm&vr=2011&sesstype=RS&i=408)