

# **Montana Strategies to Improve Oversight, Accountability, & Transparency**

## **Health Care Spending Oversight**

Health care spending oversight entities monitor and track health care spending systematically, offering data and research support to ensure efficient resource use. While many states set population health priorities, some have established oversight entities with enforcement powers. Strategies tracked include:

- Health Care Spending Benchmarks
- Authority to Enforce Health Care Spending Benchmarks
- Hospital or Primary Care Spending Oversight Entities

## **Prescription Drug Affordability Boards**

Some states have established independent entities charged with reviewing high-cost prescription drugs and recommending strategies to improve affordability. In certain cases, these boards are authorized to set upper payment limits to curb excessive drug prices. Strategies examined in this section include:

- Prescription Drug Affordability Board Established
- Prescription Drug Upper Payment Limits Established

## **All-Payer Claims Databases**

All-payer claims databases (APCDs) compile diverse health care data that may include health, dental, and pharmacy claims from private insurers, state employee health programs, Medicare, and Medicaid. In instances where a database includes only some of these payers, it is referred to as a multi-payer claims database. Typically created through legislation, APCDs are often subject to state oversight and regulation. However, some claims databases have been voluntarily developed by independent entities, limiting oversight. Strategies examined in this section include:

- All-Payer Claims Database Established
- All-Payer Claims Database Operated by the State

## **Price Transparency**

This section evaluates state efforts to provide access to health care price data through a publicly available and easily accessible tool. Strategies examined in this section include:

- Price Transparency Tool Established
- Prescription Drug Price Transparency Tool Established



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All-Payer Claims Database

| Policy                                                    | Status as of June 2025                                                    | Summary |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Established an All-Payer Claims Database (APCD)           | ⊗ State does not have a(n) all-payer or multi-payer claims database       |         |
| All-Payer Claims Database (APCD)<br>Operated by the State | ⊗ The state does not have an APCD operated by the state or another entity |         |

Prescription Drug Affordability Board

| Policy                                                   | Status as of June 2025                                                                                     | Summary |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Established Prescription Drug Affordability Board (PDAB) | ⊗ The state has not established or passed legislation to establish a prescription drug affordability board |         |
| Prescription Drug Upper Payment Limits                   | ⊗ The state has not established Upper Payment Limits for prescription drugs                                |         |

● State Has Active Policy or Program    ● Policy or Program Partially Implemented    ⊗ State Does Not Have an Active Policy or Program    ✱ No Source, or Limited Information Found

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## Price Transparency

| Policy                                        | Status as of June 2025                                                                                                                                                                             | Summary |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Service Cost Price Transparency Tool          |  State operates a public-facing price transparency tool that reports chargemaster rates, but not negotiated rates |         |
| Prescription Drug Price Reporting Requirement |  Organizations are not required to report prescription drug price information to a state entity                   |         |

## Health Care Spending Oversight

| Policy                                              | Status as of June 2025                                                                                                                                                                  | Summary |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Health Care Spending Benchmark                      |  State has not established a health care spending benchmark for providers, insurance carriers, or both |         |
| Authority to Enforce Health Care Spending Benchmark |  State has not established a health care spending benchmark, with or without enforcement mechanisms  |         |
| Hospital or Primary Care Spending Oversight Entity  |  State does not monitor and report hospital spending, primary care spending, or both                 |         |



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