



***A Networking and Resource Center for Advocates Working for Better Value in Health Care:***

**Health Care Value Hub**

Rising health care costs and poor value are critical issues facing our nation. The Health Care Value Hub provides timely information about the policies and practices that help address rising health care costs and poor quality, bringing better value and transparency to consumers.

The Hub offers consumer advocates both online and hands-on support, with a staff dedicated to monitoring, translating and disseminating evidence, as well as connecting advocates, researchers and policymakers together to further conversations and action on the cost and value of health care.



**COST & QUALITY PROBLEMS**

Costs are too high and quality is uneven. What's the deal? Why aren't consumers getting more value for their health care dollar?



**IMPROVING VALUE**

There are lots of ideas for improving health care value. But how to navigate them? And which ones work?



**ADVOCATE RESOURCES**

Advocates make a difference. The Hub's publications, *Research Roundup*, glossaries and other resources can help.



**STATE NEWS**

Many efforts to improve health care value are being customized by states. Learn about the wide variety of state approaches.

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## ***Hub Publications List*** (as of November 2015)

Research Brief No. 9, ***Medical Harm: A Taxonomy*** (November 2015)

Research Brief No. 8, ***All-Payer Claims Databases: Unlocking Data to Improve Health Care Value*** (September 2015)

Research Brief No. 7, ***Bundled Payments: Payment Reform with Promise*** (July 2015)

Easy explainer No. 3, ***Certificate of Need Regulations: Mixed Evidence for Cost Containment*** (July 2015)

Research Brief No. 6, ***Health Insurance Rate Review: A Powerful Tool for Addressing Consumer Health Costs*** (June 2015)

Easy explainer No. 2, ***Why are Health Care Costs an Urgent Problem?*** (May 2015)

Research Brief No. 5, ***Rx Costs: A Primer for Health Care Advocates*** (April 2015)

Research Brief No. 4, ***A Primer: How Antitrust Law Affects Competition in the Health Care Marketplace*** (April 2015)

Research Brief No. 3, ***High-Deductible Health Plans: A Strategy Not Appropriate for Many Consumers*** (March 2015)

Research Brief No. 2, ***Accountable Care Organizations: Still a Lot to Learn About Best Practice*** (March 2015)

Research Brief No. 1, ***Hospital Rate Setting: Promising, but Challenging to Replicate*** (March 2015)

Easy explainer No. 1, ***Health System Transformation: Consumers' Views on Cost and Quality*** (March 2015)

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