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## Medicaid and CHIP Environmental Scanning and Program Characteristics (ESPC) Database

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services announces release of the first version of the Environmental Scanning and Program Characteristics (ESPC) Database developed to support comparative effectiveness research (CER) and other cross-state program and policy studies. The ESPC Database was developed by IMPAQ International and its partner, RTI International, with funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

The ESPC Database:

- Provides easy access to state-level data on Medicaid and CHIP program characteristics and selected environmental factors
- Contains over 800 variables from 15 reputable data sources
- Covers the 50 States and the District of Columbia from 2005 to the latest available date
- Is developed in MS Access with a user-friendly interface for searching, filtering, and exporting data
- Is refreshed periodically with more recent data and updated annually with new functions and data elements
- Is available for download at no cost from:  
[http://www.cms.gov/MedicaidDataSourcesGenInfo/16\\_Medicaid\\_CHIP\\_ESPC.asp](http://www.cms.gov/MedicaidDataSourcesGenInfo/16_Medicaid_CHIP_ESPC.asp)

Topic Areas Captured in the ESPC Database		
<i>Program Characteristics</i>		<i>Environmental Factors</i>
Medicaid Benefits	CHIP Benefits	Access to Care
Medicaid Expenditures	CHIP Eligibility	Supply: Facility
Medicaid Enrollment	CHIP Expenditures	Supply: Personnel
Medicaid Managed Care	CHIP Structure	Socioeconomic Status
Medicaid Utilization	CHIP Enrollment	Health Status
Medicaid Pharmacy		Demographics
Medicaid Waivers		Quality of Care
Medicaid Eligibility		
Medicaid Long-Term Care		
Medicaid Provider Payment Policies		
Medicaid Structure		

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