The Council of State Governments Medicaid Policy Academy in Washington, D.C., June 18-20 provided attendees with important information about the many facets of the Medicaid program. Speakers at the sessions offered information beyond the sessions in video interviews.

**Medicaid Role in State Budgets**

Robin Rudowitz, associate director, Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, says Medicaid has a complicated role in state budgets.

**Medicaid Costs**

Stacey Mazer, senior staff associate for the National Association of State Budget Officers, discusses the costs of Medicaid and the role it plays in state budgets.

**Budget Challenges of Medicaid Program**

Stacey Mazer, senior staff associate for the National Association of State Budget Officers, discusses the challenges states will face with Medicaid programs and implementation of the Affordable Care Act.

**State Focuses on Medicaid**

Robin Rudowitz, associate director, Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, discusses the areas state policymakers will be focusing on with regard to Medicaid.

**Medicaid and Mental Health**
Alex Blandford, a policy analyst on mental health and courts at the CSG Justice Center, discusses the role Medicaid plays in the mental health field.

**Medicaid and the Criminal Justice System**

Alex Blandford, a policy analyst on mental health and courts at the CSG Justice Center, discusses the intersection of the criminal justice system and Medicaid programs.

**Medicaid and Oral Health**

Jon Holtzee, director of State Government Affairs for the American Dental Association, discusses the trends in Medicaid and oral health care.

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