

This is not an exhaustive list and leans towards New England applications, but the intention is to keep adding to the list.

## Maine

**ME HealthCost website.** <http://www.healthweb.maine.gov/claims/healthcost/default.aspx>

**Sponsor:** Maine Health Data Organization.

**Description:** Tool to compare payments for specific procedures across hospital and ASC settings.

**Maine Health Management Coalition Employer Reporting:** Not available for public distribution at this time. [www.mhmc.info](http://www.mhmc.info)

**Sponsor:** Employers, Providers, and Health Plan members of the Maine Health Management Coalition.

**Description:** Reports examining utilization, preventive care services, quality metrics, and cost are provided to the Coalition membership annually as well as ad hoc studies. Benchmarks are provided amongst employers, providers, and payers. [There is also a consumer website ([www.mhmc.info](http://www.mhmc.info)) that has quality and consumer satisfaction ratings for hospitals and physicians. This website does not use all-payer claims data.]

**Maine Health Information Center (MHIC) Research Services.** MHIC has Maine Health Data Organization (MHDO) data release approval to conduct research and prepare reporting using the Maine all-claims database for public and private requestors.

**Sponsor:** Maine Health Information Center – a non-profit private company.

**Description.** Subject to patient confidentiality restrictions required by the MHDO, MHIC Research can work with individual client requestors to conduct a wide spectrum of research using Maine's all-claims database ranging from general tables of utilization, payment, and quality metrics to in-depth research studies on specific health care topics. [www.mhic.org](http://www.mhic.org)

## Massachusetts

**Better Quality Information (BQI) to Improve Care for Medicare Beneficiaries – Massachusetts:** [www.mhqp.org/aboutus/initiatives.asp?nav=022500](http://www.mhqp.org/aboutus/initiatives.asp?nav=022500) and [www.cms.hhs.gov/BQI/](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/BQI/)

**Sponsor:** Massachusetts Health Quality Partners with funding from CMS

**Description:** The Project involves the aggregation of claims and other clinical data from commercial payers and Medicare. The purpose is to determine the process needed to calculate and report accurately on ambulatory quality-of-care measures for physician groups based upon this newly aggregated database.

## New Hampshire

**NH HealthCost website.** [www.nhhealthcost.org](http://www.nhhealthcost.org)

**Sponsor:** NH Insurance Department.

**Description:** Consumer tool to compare costs of procedures across hospital and ASC settings.

### **Adverse Drug Events Study Maine and New Hampshire.**

**Sponsor:** NH Institute for Health Policy and Practice, HealthInfoNet, Maine Health Information Center

**Description:** Analysis of ADEs in ME and NH using both All-Payer Claims Data and Hospital Discharge Data Sets. Goal of release January 2009.

**NHCHIS Web Reports.** [www.nhchis.org](http://www.nhchis.org)

**Sponsor:** NH Department of Health and Human Services Office of Medicaid Business and Policy

**Description:** More than 50 standard reports via an online web query tool with cost and quality reports running on both Medicaid and Commercial health claims.

**NHCHIS Special Study Reports.** [www.nhchis.org](http://www.nhchis.org)

**Sponsor:** NH Department of Health and Human Services Office of Medicaid Business and Policy.

**Description:** Special Study Reports examining how Medicaid members compare to Commercially insured members. **Currently Release Reports:** Emergency Department Use in NH 2005, Depression Among NH Medicaid Members 2005, Cardiovascular Diseases and Circulatory Disorders in NH 2005, Chronic Respiratory Diseases in NH 2005. Users include NH Medicaid, the Bureau of Public Health, and policy makers. **Upcoming Releases:** Adult preventative services (Medicaid & Commercial), Frequent ED users (Medicaid), Mental health prevalence and cost (Medicaid), Comparison of health services at different practice settings (Medicaid), Geographic variation of child health care access, use, and cost (Medicaid & Commercial), Adolescent health care (Medicaid & Commercial), Health services delivered to children in foster care (Medicaid), and Diabetes prevalence and cost (Medicaid & Commercial).

### **NH DHHS Annual Research Presentation Meeting**

**Sponsor:** NH Department of Health and Human Services

**Description:** Annual meeting where NH DHHS reports on progress made in previous year with APCD as well as provides highlights of research studies conducted. 2008 meeting will be held on December 9 in Concord, NH.

**NH Purchaser Group on Health (NHPGH) Utilization, Cost and Quality Measures Reports.** Not available for public distribution at this time. [www.nhpgh.org](http://www.nhpgh.org)

**Sponsor:** 4 employers comprising the NHPGH

**Description:** Set of reports run using health and pharmacy claims for 120,000 covered lives for 2005-2007 data. Examination of utilization, preventive care services, and cost. Benchmarked data compares employer to employer. Based upon a set of reports initially developed for the Maine Health Management Coalition.

**NH Patient Migration Analysis.** Available November 2008 [www.stepsingupnh.org](http://www.stepsingupnh.org)

**Sponsor:** NH Citizens Health Initiative

**Description:** Analysis that examines where NH's commercially insured population receives care. Examination of in-state vs. out-of-state care as well as examination of 22 geographic areas in-state. Conducted to support the need for portable consumer health information.

### **Reports on Mental Health Services in New Hampshire**

**Sponsor:** New Hampshire Center for Public Policy Studies and the Endowment for Health

**Description:** Analysis of Mental Health Service Use for Children and Adults

Adults and Mental Health in New Hampshire: <http://www.nhpolicy.org/report.php?report=164>,

Mental Health and Adults: Aging Will Drive the System:

<http://www.nhpolicy.org/report.php?report=180>, Children's Mental Health in New Hampshire:

[http://www.nhpolicy.org/reports/cmh\\_prevalence\\_september\\_2007.pdf](http://www.nhpolicy.org/reports/cmh_prevalence_september_2007.pdf), Mental Health Services

for New Hampshire's Children: <http://www.nhpolicy.org/report.php?report=6>. These set of

reports give a good example of how CHIS data can be used in the context of a broad conversation about prevalence, service use, and expenditures. They were produced to inform the state's efforts to develop a comprehensive plan for mental health services in New Hampshire.