

# History of NAHDO's Innovation in Data Dissemination Award

## AWARD HISTORY

In **2009**, *The Inaugural Innovation in Data Dissemination Award* was awarded to The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), Florida Center for Health Information and Policy Analysis.

Through this award NAHDO honored Florida's ACHA, for excellence in promoting health care transparency in their consumer-friendly website and their commitment to analyzing and disseminating information, research findings and data on health care and providers in Florida through the Florida Center for Health Information and Policy Analysis. NAHDO applauded the Florida Centers dedication to offering Florida consumer's information about health care services, charges and quality on their website [www.FloridaHealthFinder.gov](http://www.FloridaHealthFinder.gov) as a result of the information provided through the Center and the quality of the data collected.

In **2010**, *The Innovation in Data Dissemination Award* was awarded to The New Hampshire Insurance Department and the Commissioner's Advisory Committee on Health Insurance for their HealthCost website.

Through this award, NAHDO honored the New Hampshire Insurance Department's commitment to providing information on the price of medical care in New Hampshire by provider, insurance plan, and procedure as well as the estimate price of medical care for the uninsured through the HealthCost website. NAHDO applauds the New Hampshire Insurance Department and the Commissioner's Advisory Committee on Health Insurance dedication to offering New Hampshire's consumers and employers information about the price of health care services and insurance on their website <http://www.nhhealthcost.org/> based on the information provided through the New Hampshire Comprehensive Health Care Information System.

In **2011**, *The Innovation in Data Dissemination Award* was awarded to Virginia Health Information (VHI).

Through this award, NAHDO honors VHI's commitment to their mission: To create and disseminate healthcare information, to promote informed decision making by Virginia consumers and purchasers and to enhance the quality of health care delivery. NAHDO applauds VHI's dedication to providing information that is broad in scope, consumer focused and ranges from health insurance to hospitals and from physicians to nursing homes on their public website: [www.vhi.org](http://www.vhi.org). Five VHI consumer guides are available for just-in-time use by consumers and employers. They include Long-Term Care, Cardiac Care, Obstetrical Care, Health Insurance Options and Hospitals. Other information includes health insurance company average allowed amounts for 31 commonly performed tests and procedures and a variety of detailed ratings for providers. VHI was the first to develop provider efficiency ratings, cesarean rates by doctor, readmission rates and other outcome measures that are available to consumers on their website. With over 1,100 visitors a day, VHI makes health information accessible to consumers, businesses and policymakers.

In **2012**, *The Innovation in Data Dissemination Award* was presented to the Department of Health and Human Services Health Data Initiative (HDI) for encouraging the use of health data in innovative applications to raise awareness of health and health system performance and spark community action to improve health.

NAHDO applauds the HDI efforts by developing major resources such as HealthData.gov that hosts more than 400 datasets, tools and apps and the easily downloadable Health Indicators Warehouse (<http://healthindicators.gov/>) with more than 1170 health indicators on quality, cost and utilization of health care services. The HDI convenes health data stakeholders at its National Health Datapalooza and at local and regional events such as code-a-thons, meet-ups and challenge competitions, bringing together health data experts, developers, system design engineers, researchers and students. To amplify these efforts, the Health Data Affiliates program was launched in 2012 to support local efforts to promote innovative applications in data.

In **2013**, The Innovation in Data Dissemination Award was presented to Center for Improving Value in Health Care (CIVHC) & Treo Solutions. CIVHC was selected for this award due to their commitment in providing transparent health care data in support of achieving the Triple Aim: better health, better care, and lower cost. In 2010 CIVHC was appointed as the administrator of the CO APCD, and as a nonprofit, CIVHC was able to secure private foundation funding to support the development and implementation of the APCD – a unique model relative to many state-run APCDs. In just a few short months from the time of initial claims data intake, CIVHC and its data manager, Treo Solutions, launched the website [www.cohealthdata.org](http://www.cohealthdata.org). The site provides public access to information on total cost of care and utilization of health care services across the state. CIVHC and Treo continue to refine and update the data and reports available through the public website and are committed to ensuring the CO APCD is a beneficial tool for providers, employers, consumers, policy analysts, and others seeking to achieve the Triple Aim.

In **2014**, The Innovation in Data Dissemination Award was presented to Consumer Reports – [www.consumerreports.org/cro/health](http://www.consumerreports.org/cro/health) a non profit organization that serves consumers through unbiased testing and ratings, research, journalism, public education, and advocacy. Consumer Reports was selected for the award due to their commitment in translation and dissemination of health-servicerelated quality data (hospitals, physicians, insurance plans) for consumer audiences. Consumer Reports has created, launched, and maintained consumer-friendly tools allowing comparisons of thousands of hospitals, more than a thousand health insurance plans, hundreds of physician groups, thousands of prescriptions drugs, and also many preventive services.

**2015**- No Award- NAHDO's 30th Anniversary

In **2016**, The Innovation in Data Dissemination Award was presented to the Maine Health Data Organization for their commitment to promoting transparency of healthcare costs and quality via a publically accessible website, CompareMaine- <http://www.comparemaine.org/> . CompareMaine was honored for being a leader in using their APCD to report cost estimates alongside patient experience ratings and how Maine hospitals compare on patient safety.

**2017**- No Award

In **2018**, The Innovation in Data Dissemination Award was presented to the Washington All-Payer Claims Database's new [HealthCareCompare website](#). Through the award NAHDO honored Washington State's commitment to bringing greater transparency to health care costs in the state and giving residents powerful tools to make data-driven, informed decisions that maximize health care quality and value.