



The Hilltop Institute

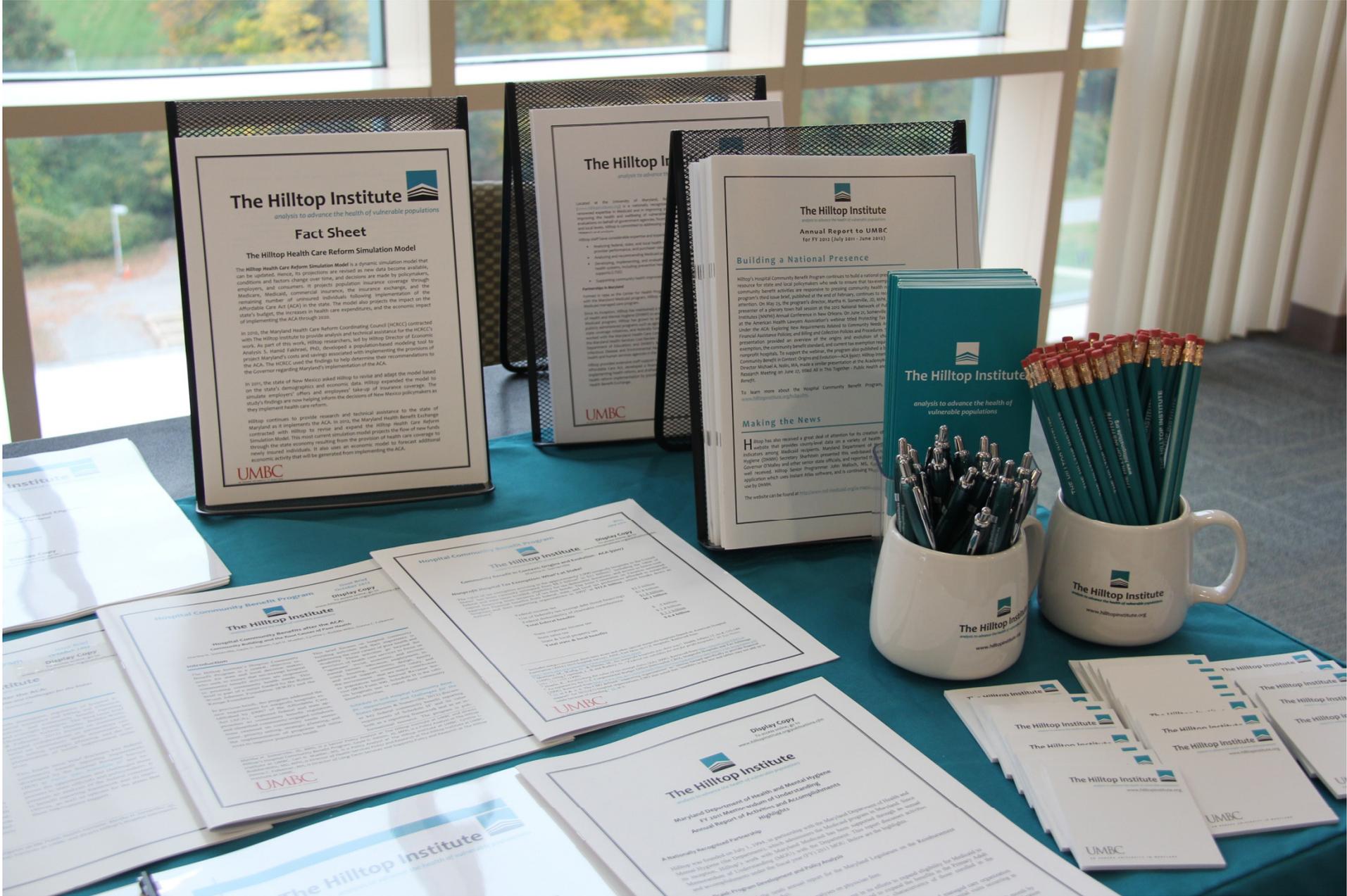
analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

Health Reform
Implementing Insurance Coverage Expansion

UMBC Fall Colloquium

October 26, 2012





The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

Fact Sheet

The Hilltop Health Care Reform Simulation Model

The Hilltop Health Care Reform Simulation Model is a dynamic simulation model that can be updated. Hence, its projections are revised as new data become available, and factors change over time, and decisions are made by policymakers, employers, and consumers. It projects population insurance coverage, through Medicare, Medicaid, commercial insurance, the insurance exchange, and the remaining number of uninsured individuals following implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in the state. The model also projects the impact on the state's budget, the increase in health care expenditures, and the economic impact of implementing the ACA through 2020.

In 2010, the Maryland Health Care Reform Coordinating Council (MHCRCC) contracted with The Hilltop Institute to provide analysis and technical assistance for the HCRC's work. As part of this work, Hilltop researchers, led by Hilltop Director of Economic Analysis, S. Hamid Fahreaz, PhD, developed a population-based modeling tool to project Maryland's costs and savings associated with implementing the provisions of the ACA. The HCRC used the findings to help determine their recommendations to the Governor regarding Maryland's implementation of the ACA.

In 2011, the state of New Mexico asked Hilltop to revise and adapt the model based on the state's demographics and economic data. Hilltop expanded the model to simulate employers' offers and employees' take-up of insurance coverage. The study's findings are now helping inform the decisions of New Mexico policymakers as they implement health care reform.

Hilltop continues to provide research and technical assistance to the state of Maryland as it implements the ACA. In 2011, the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange contracted with Hilltop to revise and expand the Hilltop Health Care Reform Simulation Model. This most current simulation model projects the flow of new funds through the state economy resulting from the provision of health care coverage to newly insured individuals. It also uses an economic model to forecast additional economic activity that will be generated from implementing the ACA.

UMBC

The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

UMBC

The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

Building a National Presence

Hilltop's Hospital Community Benefit Program continues to build a national presence for state and local policymakers who seek to ensure that the emerging community benefits activities are responsive to preserving community health programs. On May 15, the program director, Martha A. Somerville, JD, MPH, presented at a primary town hall session at the 2012 National Network of Public Employees (NNPE) Annual Conference in New Orleans. On June 12, Somerville presented at the ACA Exploring New Requirements Related to Community Benefit: A Financial Institutions Policies and Billing and Collection Policies and Procedures presentation, provided an overview of the origins and evolution of the program's hospital community benefit standards, and current tax exemption requirements. To support the webinar, the program also published a Community Benefit Checklist (CBB Checklist) and a Community Benefit Checklist Research Meeting on June 12, 2012. All in The Together: Public Health and Benefit.

To learn more about the Hospital Community Benefit Program, visit www.hilltopinstitute.org/hcbp

Making the News

Hilltop has also received a great deal of attention for its creation of a website that provides customized data on a variety of health care indicators among Medicaid recipients. Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Director Secretary Sherkow presented this web-based tool to Governor O'Malley and other senior state officials, and reported to the application which uses Instant Atlas software, and is continuing this use by DHMH.

The website can be found at hilltopinstitute.org/medicaid

The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

UMBC

The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

UMBC

The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

UMBC

The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

UMBC

The Hilltop Institute

analysis to advance the health of vulnerable populations

UMBC







The Hilltop Institute

Health Reform: Implementing Insurance Coverage Expansion

October 26, 2012

Carl Mueller, MS
Laura Spicer, MA
Maansi Raswant, JD

UMBC Fall Coll

adidas

Reform: Insurance Expansion

October 26, 2012

Carl M

Laura Sp

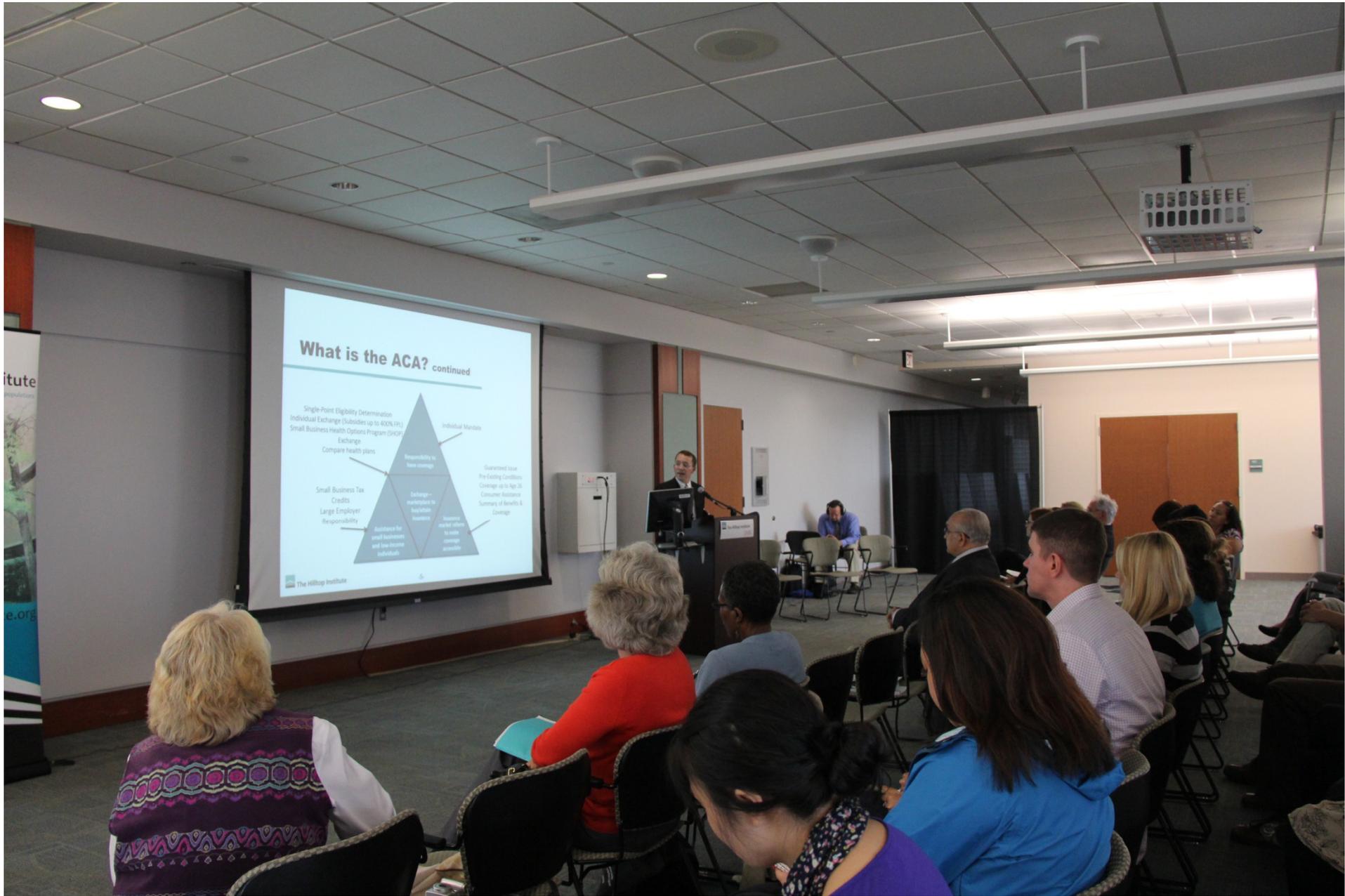
nsi Ras

Fall Co

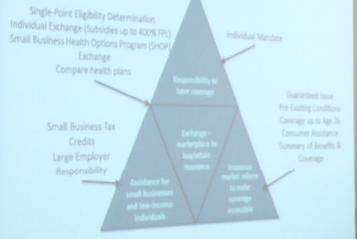
MON141

 The Hilltop Institute





What is the ACA? continued



id Expansion: esponses

enged constitutionality

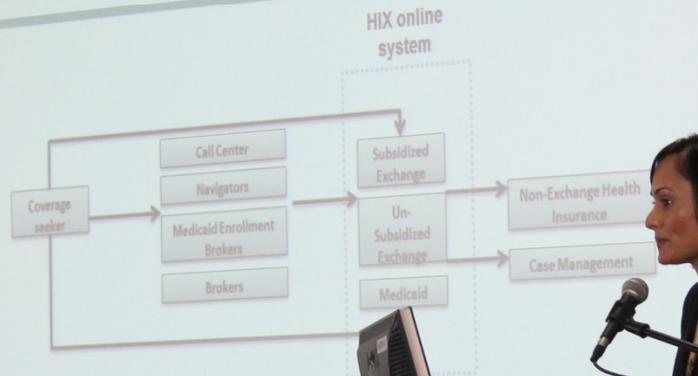
hallenged and supported

orted (including MD)

o position



Seamless Point of Entry: Maryland



- Navigator Entities
 - Navigators
 - Call Center functions
 - Interaction with Medicaid Enrollment Broker
- Redeterminations

Hilltop's Work with the Exchange

- Policy Analysis
 - Continued assistance with day-to-day policy analysis
 - Summarizing and analyzing the impacts of Maryland General Assembly bills
 - Drafting white papers
 - Researching ACA and pursuant regulations to identify authority for Exchange functions
 - SHOP market analysis
 - Comparison of Maryland's Exchange Act to similar bills and laws in other states





out The Hilltop Institute

Hilltop Institute at UMBC is a non-partisan health research organization—with an expertise in Medicaid and improving publicly financed health care systems—dedicated to advancing the health and wellbeing of vulnerable populations. Hilltop conducts research, analysis, and evaluations on behalf of government agencies, foundations, and nonprofit organizations at the national and local levels. Hilltop is committed to addressing complex issues through informed, objective, and data-driven research and analysis.

www.hilltopinstitute.org

stitute

-68-

The Hilltop Institute
UMBC

About The Hilltop Institute

The Hilltop Institute at UMBC is a non-partisan health research organization—with an expertise in Medicaid and in improving publicly financed health care systems—dedicated to advancing the health and wellbeing of vulnerable populations. Hilltop conducts research, analysis, and evaluations on behalf of government agencies, foundations, and nonprofit organizations at the national, state, and local levels. Hilltop is committed to addressing complex issues through informed, objective, and innovative research and analysis.

www.hilltopinstitute.org

-68-

The Hilltop Institute
UMBC



About The Hilltop Institute

The Hilltop Institute at UMBC is a non-partisan health research organization—with an expertise in Medicaid and improving publicly financed health care systems—dedicated to advancing the health and wellbeing of vulnerable populations. Hilltop conducts research, analysis, and evaluations on behalf of government agencies, foundations, and nonprofit organizations at the national, state, and local levels. Hilltop is committed to addressing complex issues through informed, objective, and high-quality research and analysis.

www.hilltopinstitute.org

Hilltop Institute

-68-

The Hilltop Institute
UMBC



About The Hilltop Institute

The Hilltop Institute at UMBC is a non-partisan health research organization—with an expertise in Medicaid and in improving publicly financed health care systems—dedicated to advancing the health and wellbeing of vulnerable populations. Hilltop conducts research, analysis, and evaluations on behalf of government agencies, foundations, and nonprofit organizations at the national, state, and local levels. Hilltop is committed to addressing complex issues through informed, objective, and independent research and analysis.

www.hilltopinstitute.org

The Hilltop Institute

-68-

The Hilltop Institute
UMBC





The Hilltop Institute
the health of vulnerable populations

The Hilltop Health Care Reform Simulation Model

October 26, 2012

Hamid Fakhraei

Implementing Insurance Coverage Expansion

UMBC Fall Colloquium



Economic Impact Model

- Results of the Expenditure Model are used by the Economic Impact Model to determine the economic multiplier for Maryland
- Estimates the effects of spending in health care sector on other sectors of the economy
- Evaluates the total economic impact of the ACA on the state's economy

























Health Benefit
(MHBE)

Research
Director

2012

Exchange

The Hilltop Institute
UMBC

















About The Hilltop Institute

The Hilltop Institute at UMBC is a non-partisan health research organization—with an expertise in Medicaid and in improving publicly financed health care systems—dedicated to advancing the health and wellbeing of vulnerable populations. Hilltop conducts research, analysis, and evaluations on behalf of government agencies, foundations, and nonprofit organizations at the national, state, and local levels. Hilltop is committed to addressing complex issues through informed, objective, and innovative research and analysis.

www.hilltopinstitute.org