



January 22 Background Reading:

Arkansas Center for Health Improvement, Arkansas Works Act of 2016, May 2016.

Available at: <http://www.achi.net/Content/Documents/ResourceRenderer.ashx?ID=394>

This fact sheet describes the legislative intent of Arkansas Works, program eligibility, new program features, and other notable provisions in the enabling legislation

Arkansas Center for Health Improvement, Health Care Independence Program Evaluation: Interim Results, August 2016.

Available at: <http://www.achi.net/Content/Documents/ResourceRenderer.ashx?ID=398>

This fact sheet discusses the HCIP evaluation design, data sources, comparison populations, and initial findings from the interim evaluation report.

K. Minyard, R. Ferencik, M. Ann Phillips, et al., Using systems thinking in state health policymaking: an educational initiative. *Health Syst* (2014) 3: 117.

Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1057/hs.2013.17>

The Georgia Health Policy Center developed an educational initiative that applies systems thinking to health policymaking; this brief summarizes the program's background and progress since its inception.

E. Mossialos, M. Wenzl, R. Osborn, and D. Sarnak (eds.), *International Profiles of Health Care Systems*, 2015, The Commonwealth Fund, January 2016.

Available at: http://www.commonwealthfund.org/~media/files/publications/fund-report/2016/jan/1857_mossialos_intl_profiles_2015_v7.pdf

(U.S. Health Care System, p. 171)

This publication presents overviews of the health care systems of 18 industrialized countries, including the United States. Each overview covers health insurance, public and private financing, health system organization and governance, health care quality and coordination, disparities, efficiency and integration, use of information technology and evidence-based practice, cost containment, and recent reforms and innovations.

Additional Suggested Background Reading:

Kaiser Family Foundation. *Health Care Expenditures by State of Residence*.

Available at: <https://www.kff.org/state-category/health-costs-budgets/health-expenditures-by-state-of-residence/>

D. Radley, D. McCarthy, S.L. Hayes, *Scorecard on State Health System Performance*, 2017 Edition. The Commonwealth Fund, 2017.

Available at: <http://www.commonwealthfund.org/interactives/2017/mar/state-scorecard/>

From the NCIOM: *County Health Data, Issue/Policy Briefs, and Health Care Primers*

Available at: <http://nciom.org/nc-health-data/>

<http://nciom.org/publications/>

<http://nciom.org/nc-health-data/primers/>