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MEPS – HC Health Insurance Data

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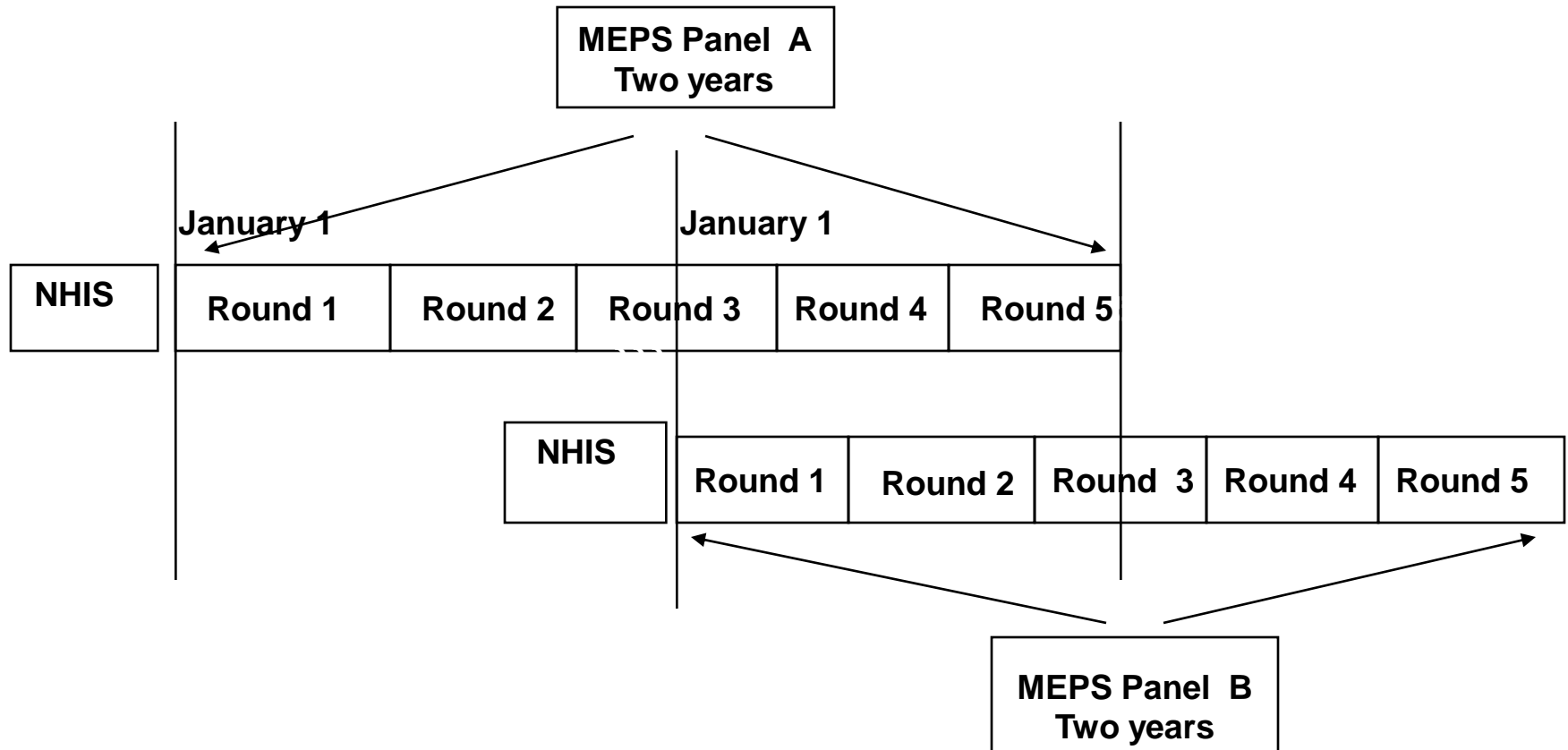
Health Insurance Public Use Files, 2015-2016

- **February 2017**
2015 Full Year Population Characteristics File
- **August 2017**
2015 Full Year Consolidated Data File
- **August 2017**
2015 Person Round Plan Public Use File
- **April 2017**
2015 P20R3/P21R1, Point-in-Time Population Characteristics File



MEPS Overlapping Panel Design

MEPS Household Component





2016 Point-in-Time Public Health Insurance Variables

- **TRINW16X** **COV BY TRICARE AT INTERVIEW – EDITED**
- **MCARE16X** **COV BY MEDICARE – EDITED**
- **MCAID16X** **COV BY MEDICAID – EDITED**
- **OTPUBA16** **COV BY/PAYS OTH GOV MCAID HMO**
- **OTPUBB16** **COV BY OTH PUBLIC NOT MCAID HMO**
- **STPRG16** **COV BY STATE SPECIFIC PROGRAM**
- **PUB16X** **COV BY PUBLIC INS - EDITED**



2016 Point-in-Time Private Health Insurance Variables

- **PRIEU16** **COV BY PRIV EMPL/UNION PLAN**
- **PRIDK16** **COV BY PRIV DK PLAN**
- **PRING16** **COV BY NONGROUP PLAN**
- **PRIOG16** **COV BY OTH GROUP PLAN**
- **PRIS16** **COV BY SELF-EMP-1 INS**
- **PRIOUT16** **COV BY HOLDER OUTSIDE RU**
- **PRIV16** **COV BY PRIVATE INS**
- **INSRD16X** **INSURED - EDITED**



2016 Point-in-Time Policy Holder Insurance Variables

- **HPRIEU16** **HOLDER OF PRIV
EMPL/UNION PLAN**
- **HPRIDK16** **HOLDER OF PRIV DK PLAN**
- **HPRING16** **HOLDER OF NONGROUP
PLAN**
- **HPRIOG16** **HOLDER OF OTH GROUP
PLAN**
- **HPRIS16** **HOLDER OF SELF-EMP-1 INS**
- **HPRIV16** **HOLDER OF PRIV INS PLAN**



2015 Full Year Consolidated Data File

Public Insurance

Month by month indicators

- **TRIA15X-TRIDE15X - TRICARE**
- **MCRJA15X-MCRDE15X - Medicare**
- **MCDJA15X-MCDDE15X - Medicaid/SCHIP**
- **OPAJA15-OPADE15 - managed care, other public insurance**
- **OPBJA15-OPBDE15 - not managed care, other public insurance**
- **STAJA15-STADE15 - state-specific program participation**
- **PUBJA15X-PUBDE15X - indicates public insurance in month**



2015 Full Year Consolidated Data File

Private Insurance

Month by month indicators

- **PEGJA15-PEGDE15 - employer/union group insurance**
- **PNGJA15-PNGDE15 - non-group private insurance**
- **POGJA15-POGDE15 - other group private insurance**
- **PDKJA15-PDKDE15 - don't know source of insurance**
- **POUJA15-POUDE15 - policy holder is outside the household**
- **PRSJA15-PRSDE15 - self-employed with firm size of 1**
- **PRIJA15-PRIDE15 - indicates private insurance in month**
- **Policy Holders (repeat of Private) "H"**



2015 Full Year Consolidated Data File Summary Variables

Month by month indicators

- **PUBJA15X-PUBDE15X** - indicates public insurance in month
- **PRIJA15-PRIDE15** - indicates private insurance in month
- **INSJA15X-INSDE15X** - indicates any insurance in month



2015 Full Year Consolidated Data File Managed Care

Public insurance

- **Medicare Managed Care Plan**
- **Medicaid or SCHIP HMO**
- **Medicaid/SCHIP Gatekeeper Plans**



2015 Full Year Consolidated Data File Managed Care

Private insurance

- **Private HMOs**
- **Private HMO Plans that Pay for Visits to Non-Plan Doctors**
- **Private Gatekeeper Plans**
- **Private Gatekeeper Plans that Pay for Visits to Non-Plan Doctors**
- **Private Plan that has a Book or List of Doctors**
- **Private Plan that has a Book or List of Doctors that Pays for Non-Plan Visits**



2015 Full Year Consolidated Data File

Medicare Part D

- **MCRPD31X**
 - ▶ Medicare prescription drug benefit (Part D),
Rounds 3 and 1
- **MCRPD42X**
 - ▶ Medicare prescription drug benefit (Part D),
Rounds 4 and 2
- **MCRPD15X**
 - ▶ Medicare prescription drug benefit (Part D),
end of year



2015 Person Round Plan Public Use File (PRPL)

- **Reflects complex and dynamic relationships between people and their private insurance.**
- **Contains records for persons with**
 - ▶ **Hospital/physician coverage**
 - ▶ **Medigap**
 - ▶ **Dental, vision, or prescription medication coverage**
- **Contains variables pertaining to managed care.**
- **Out-of-pocket premiums (starting in 2001).**



Questions added to the MEPS instrument related to the ACA

- Coverage through state exchange
- Ascertain if Medicaid is purchased through state exchange program
- Coverage through Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP) program
- Record monthly premium for coverage
- Ascertain if the cost of the premium is subsidized
- Collect metal plan name for exchange insurance