

# Fundamentals of Essential Hospital Financing (Continued): Funding the Non-Federal Share of Medicaid Payments

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# Financing



# Financing the Non-Federal Share of Medicaid Payments

- □ General Revenues
- Intergovernmental Transfers
- Certified Public Expenditures
- Provider Taxes

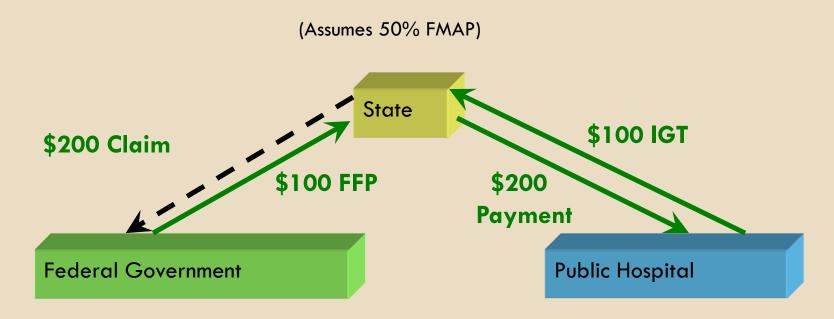


## Intergovernmental Transfers (IGTs)

- IGTs Are transfers of funds from a governmental entity to the State Medicaid agency
  - E.g., funds directly from a public hospital; local tax revenues; etc.
- State Medicaid agency uses the funds as the non-federal share of Medicaid expenditures
- Note: CMS will not provide federal match if expenditures funded by private provider donations
  - CMS accountability guidance in May 2014



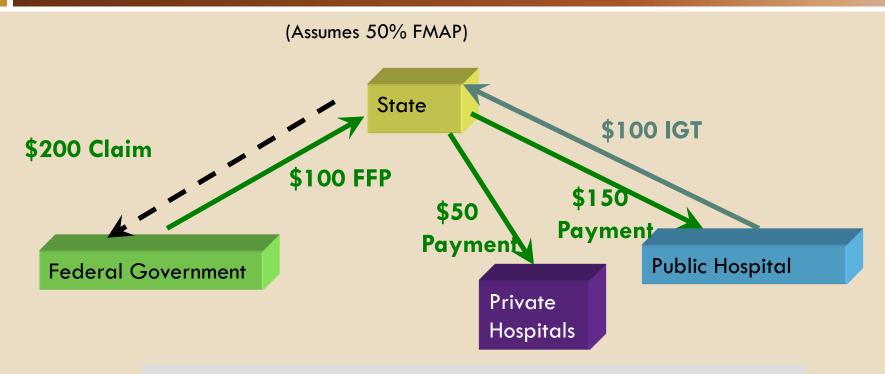
### **IGT** Mechanics



- •\$200 Medicaid payment includes \$100 from public hospital and \$100 from CMS
- •No state general revenues
- Public provider nets \$100 (but is credited with receiving \$200)



# Permissible to fund private hospital payments with IGTS



- •\$200 total Medicaid payments include \$100 from public hospital and \$100 from CMS
- No state general revenues
- Private hospitals receive total of \$50
- Public hospital nets \$50 (but is credited with receiving \$150)

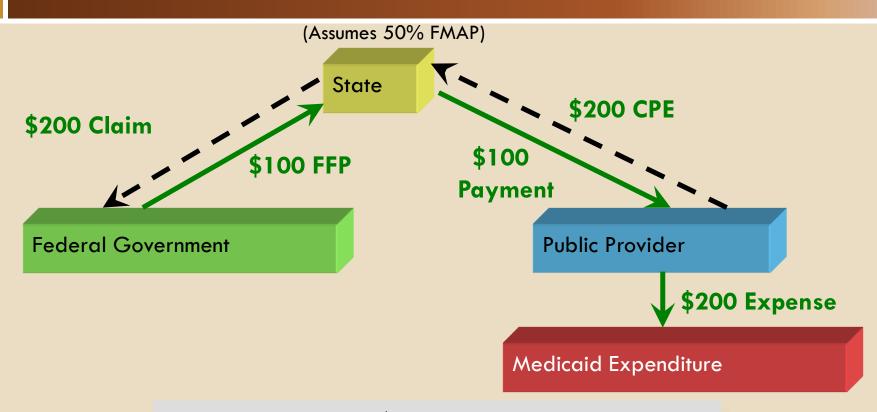


# Certification of Public Expenditures (CPEs)

- Public Entities Certify That They Have Made
   Expenditures Eligible for Federal Match Under the
   Medicaid State Plan
- Federal Matching Funds are Provided for the Federal Share of Such Certified Expenditures
- □ Difference from IGTs:
  - Payments funded are based on cost
  - CMS favors(ed)



### **CPE** Mechanics



- Public provider incurs \$200 Medicaid expense
- •Federal Government provides \$100 FFP
- •State passes \$100 FFP to provider
- •Public provider nets \$100 (but is credited with receiving \$200)



### **Provider Taxes**

- Medicaid statute permits <u>state</u> or <u>local governments</u> to impose fees on certain categories of health care services/providers of health care services
- CMS approves if meet requirements or waived
  - Broad-based (but can exclude public)
  - Uniformly imposed
  - No hold harmless
    - ("safe harbor" if tax rate 6% or less of net patient revenues received by taxpayer)
- "Winners" and "Losers"



### Trends in Provider Taxes

- In 2014, 49 states and DC use some form of tax (NCSL)
  - □ 38 hospital taxes (KFF Survey, 2014-2015)
- Seeing some local assessments (city or county level)
- Uses from financing supplemental payments to targeted providers to financing Medicaid expansion
- Challenges with the "T" word
  - Assessments, fees, etc.





# Double-Edged Sword of Medicaid Financing

- Medicaid statute permits states to use "local sources" to finance the non-federal share
  - Aggregate limit 60% of the non-federal share

Payments that providers would not have received at all if had to rely on state funding



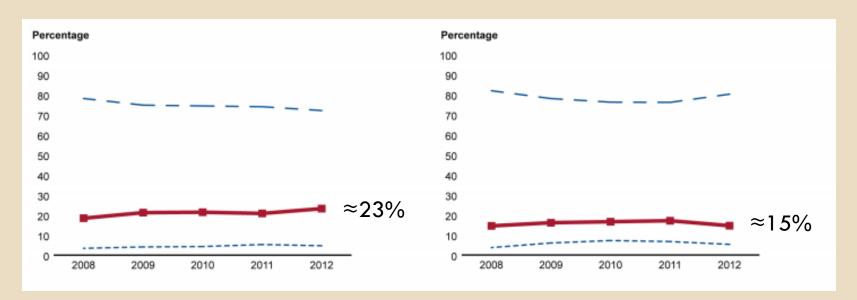
States reduce general revenue funds counting on local sources to fill the hole



# GAO Compared Financing Medicaid Base Rates and MCO Payments vs...

#### **Fee-for-Service Medicaid Payments**

# Capitation payments to managed care organizations



Providers and Local Governments

State Funds

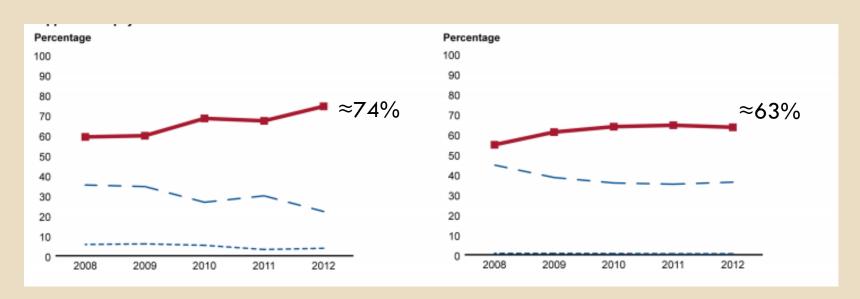
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### Financing of Supplemental Payments

#### **Non-DSH Supplemental Payments**

#### **DSH Supplemental Payments**



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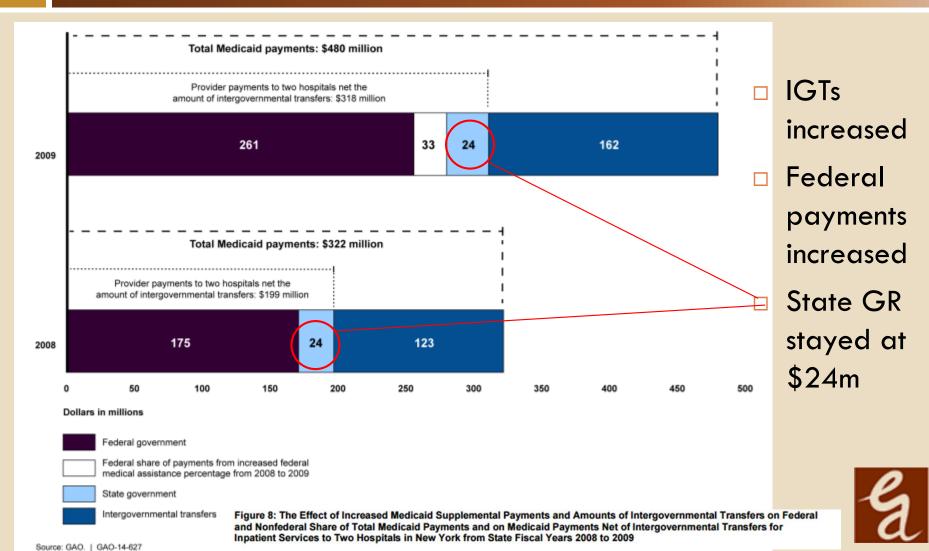
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### GAO's "No State Funding" Argument

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# Impact of Medicaid Expansion on Financing

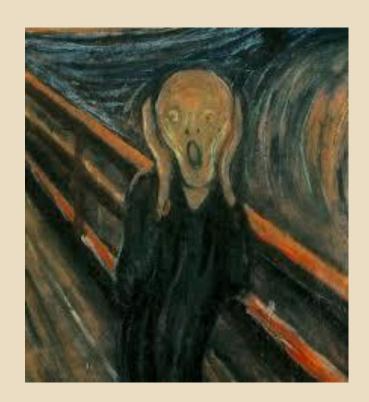
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|---|--|---|--|--|
| Year  | Newly-Eligible Parents & Childless Adults (up to 138% FPL) | Medicaid-Eligible Childless Adults in "Expansion" States Only (I.e., States that Had Already Expanded to Adults >100% FPL as of March 23, 2010) |  |  |
|   |  | Transition Percentage<br>used to Calculate<br>Enhanced Match  | Example: State with 50%  Original FMAP  Regular FMAP + [(Newly- Eligible Enhanced Match Rate – Regular FMAP) x  Transition Percentage] | Example: State with 60% Original FMAP Regular FMAP + [(Newly-Eligible Enhanced Match Rate - Regular FMAP) x Transition Percentage] |
| 2014  | 100%   | 50%   | 75%  | 80%  |
| 2015  | 100%   | 60%   | 80%  | 84%  |
| 2016  | 100%   | 70%   | 85%  | 88%  |
| 2017  | 95%  | 80%   | 86%  | 88%  |
| 2018  | 94%  | 90%   | 89.6%  | 90.6%  |
| 2019  | 93%  | 100%  | 93%  | 93%  |
| 2020 on   | 90%  | 100%  | 90%  | 90%  |

KFF: Financing Medicaid Coverage Under Health Reform: What is in the Law and the New FMAP Rules



# More to Come in 201...





### Questions?

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