



2025 Milestones: Turning Data into Insights

Advancing Evidence. Elevating Public Sector Voices. Informing National Policy.



National Reach & Policy Education

In 2025, the National Institute for Public Employee Health Care Policy expanded its national footprint by delivering timely, data-driven insights that informed policymakers, public sector purchasers, advocates, and the broader policy community. Through research, surveys, and educational resources, the Institute helped shape understanding of complex health policy issues affecting millions of public employees, retirees, and their families nationwide.



Policy Briefs & Educational Resources



Bringing public sector realities into national PBM policy conversations.

PBMs & Public Sector Purchasing

The Institute released a widely shared one-pager, ***The Relationship between PBMs and Public Sector Health Care Purchasers: Insights from Plan Sponsors***, to inform policymakers and stakeholders about how public sector purchasers engage with pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs).

Grounded in real-world plan sponsor experience, the resource outlines common contract components, emerging trends, and oversight considerations specific to public purchasers—bringing clarity to a highly complex and often opaque segment of the health care system.

Medicare Advantage EGWPs

The Institute published a comprehensive report, ***Public Sector Medicare Advantage EGWPs in a Shifting Landscape: Challenges, Opportunities, and Policy Considerations***, examining the evolving role of Medicare Advantage Employee Group Waiver Plans (EGWPs) in public sector retiree coverage.

To expand accessibility and reach, the report was paired with a concise **fact sheet** designed for policymakers, advocates, and media—supporting clearer understanding of EGWPs amid ongoing Medicare Advantage scrutiny and reform discussions.



Expanded national awareness of public sector retiree benefit design



Informed federal and state policy dialogue on Medicare Advantage



🔍 Research & Data Insights

The Institute translates complex data into actionable insights that help public sector purchasers navigate a rapidly evolving health care landscape.

- Shared findings from the **Annual Specialty Drug Survey**, highlighting rising costs and impacts on public sector purchasers
- Presented early insights on **GLP-1 coverage approaches** for public sector plans
- Released initial results from the **2025 Specialty Drug Survey** to a national audience

🤝 Convenings & Collaborations

Through strategic convenings, the Institute brings together public sector leaders to foster dialogue, collaboration, and shared problem-solving.

- Hosted **in-person and virtual convenings** to connect public sector leaders and new members
- Convened stakeholders in **Washington, D.C.** to examine MA EGWPs, specialty drug pricing, provider consolidation, and access to innovative therapies
- Strengthened engagement across the Institute and Public Sector HealthCare Roundtable networks



Policy Leadership

The Institute elevates public sector purchaser perspectives by engaging directly in federal policy discussions and legislative processes.

- Submitted **congressional testimony** to the House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health
- Elevated purchaser priorities in national health policy debates
- Reinforced the importance of **group Medicare Advantage products**, including EGWPs, in reform efforts

★ National Visibility & Reach

By sharing research and insights on national platforms, the Institute expands its reach and influence across the public sector health policy community.

- Featured research and priorities at the **21st Annual Public Sector HealthCare Roundtable Conference**
- Increased awareness of the Institute's expertise, resources, and thought leadership
- Engaged policymakers, plan sponsors, and partners nationwide



Why this work matters

By translating complex policy issues into clear, accessible resources—and elevating the perspectives of public sector purchasers—the Institute plays a critical role in educating policymakers and stakeholders engaged in this space. In 2025, the Institute strengthened evidence-based policymaking, amplified public sector voices, and reinforced its role as a trusted national resource at a time when informed decision-making has never been more important.

Closing

As we reflect on 2025, the Institute is proud of the progress made in advancing evidence-informed policy, strengthening engagement with public sector health care leaders, and providing actionable insights to support sustainable, high-quality benefits for employees, retirees, and their beneficiaries. We look forward to building on this momentum in the year ahead, continuing to inform policy discussions and drive meaningful impact for the public sector employees, retirees, and their beneficiaries.

About the Institute

The National Institute for Public Employee Health Care Policy (the Institute) was established in July of 2023. It is a non-profit (501)(c)(3), nonpartisan, national policy institute focused on public policy areas impacting health care plans available to public sector employees, retirees, and their beneficiaries. The Institute conducts research, develops authored papers and issue briefs, and hosts events to raise awareness and educate the Washington, D.C. policy community.



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