

RAND Expert Biography

Peter Hussey

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Title: Policy Researcher

Expertise

Health care delivery reform, health care efficiency, international health system comparisons



Background

Peter Hussey is a Policy Researcher at the RAND Corporation. His research focuses on approaches for controlling health care spending growth while improving the quality of health care service delivery. For the past three years, Dr. Hussey has played an instrumental role in RAND's COMPARE study of U.S. health reform initiatives. COMPARE is a transparent, evidence-based approach through which RAND is providing information and tools to help policymakers, the media, and other interested parties understand, design, and evaluate national health reform policies. Dr. Hussey is currently studying provider payment reform models and methods for identifying and rewarding low-cost, high-quality health care. Prior to joining RAND, Dr. Hussey worked at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris, France.

Education

PhD in Health Policy and Management, Johns Hopkins University; BA in Biology, Johns Hopkins University

Recent Work

- Analysis of U.S. health reform proposals
- Evaluation of options for reducing health spending growth
- Episode-based payment and performance measurement approaches
- Measurement implications of payment reform models
- Efficiency measurement in health care
- International comparison of health care quality

Selected Publications of Interest

Hussey PS, Eibner C, Ridgely MS, McGlynn EA. Controlling U.S. health care spending — separating promising from unpromising approaches. *New England Journal of Medicine* 2009; 361(22): 2109-11.

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