

# *How to Make Sausage:*

*Influencing Public Policy and Advocating Change*

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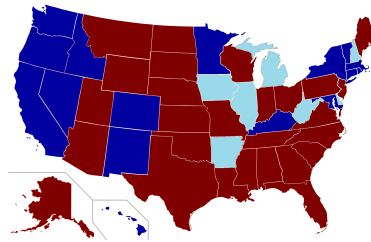
## Goals for Today

Basic understanding of:

- Levels of government policy-making
  - Federal versus state
  - Statute versus rules
  - Waivers
- Components of changing policy



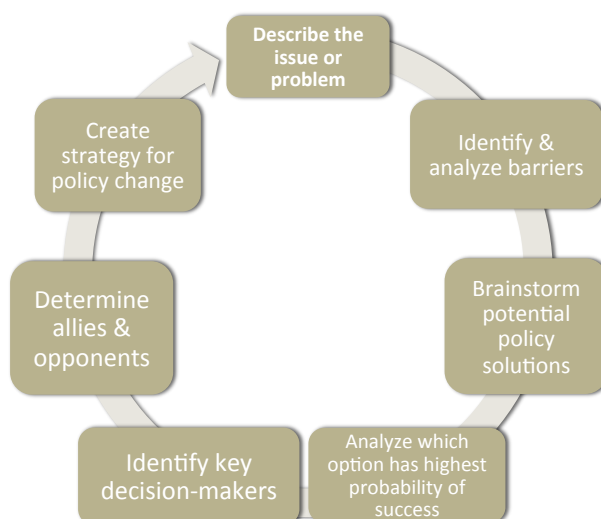
## Federalism At Work



## Example: Medical Homes

- You are a primary care provider and you'd like to set up a medical home around your practice. You have the following case mix:
  - 30% Medicaid
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  - 35% private insurance
  - 5% self-pay
- You've recently learned that your state wants to set up a Medicaid medical home payment model, but the requirements under discussion are not the same as what you need to do for Medicare. In addition, you really would like to see all your patients treated in the same way, regardless of insurance.

## How do I get started?



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