

Greetings!

The Center for Value-Based Insurance Design's [April news update](#) features a new [Health Affairs blog](#), an update on [Connecticut's V-BID plan](#) and more.

## April News Highlights

[Health Affairs: Beyond SGR: Aligning Payment Reform with Consumer Engagement](#)

[Hill FAQ: Congress passes the 'doc fix' bill to address Medicare's physician reimbursement model](#)

[Morning Consult: Shifting the health care paradigm from volume to value](#)

[AVBCC: IOM Strategies for lowering out-of-pocket costs of cancer drugs](#)

[ASCO Post: Uninsured increasingly hard-hit by cancer drug prices](#)

[New V-BID Brief: Update on Connecticut's V-BID plan](#)

[The Commonwealth Fund: Innovation waivers offer states a chance to customize reform](#)

[EBN/KHN: How consumers are covering higher out-of-pocket costs of HDHPs](#)

[Health Affairs Blog: Innovative specialty drugs and treatments require new pricing policies](#)

[Bloomberg News: Aetna lower costs for most HIV drugs after advocacy complaint](#)

[Politico/EBN: 'Cadillac tax' the next big Obamacare battle and election issue](#)

[KHN: Cost-Shifting to Cost-Sharing: Small Business Health Maneuvers](#)

[KFF: Coverage of contraceptive services: A review of five states' health insurance plans](#)

[NYT: Limiting choice to control health spending: A cautionary tale](#)



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