

## Website gives Massachusetts residents access to hospital price, quality data.

In the [Boston Globe](#) (12/10) White Coat Notes blog, Liz Kowalczyk wrote that "Massachusetts residents can now search a new website to compare the cost and quality of care at different hospitals, part of an ambitious state plan to help control healthcare costs by giving consumers more information." Specifically, [My HealthCare Options](#) "gives consumers access to previously confidential information about how much insurers pay individual hospitals for surgical procedures, such as knee and hip replacements, and for treating illnesses, such as pneumonia." Notably, the site "was required as part of the state's mandatory health insurance law." Thus far, "more than 442,000 people have enrolled in health insurance programs since 2006, and Massachusetts now has the smallest percentage of uninsured adults in the country, but the cost of the subsidized insurance is rising fast."