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Patricia MacTaggart, MBA, MMA, has been involved in Medicaid and other publicly funded health care issues over her entire career, and has held executive positions in a national research and consulting firm, global for-profit company, state-wide not-for-profit company, federal government, state government and county government. Ms. MacTaggart is currently supporting the National Association of State Medicaid Directors effort related to the Multi-State Medicaid Transformation Grant Collaborative, working with states on HIT and e-HIE activities via MITA (Medicaid Information Technology Architecture framework and initiative), and legal and regulatory issues related to public programs engagement in e-HIE and HIT.

Prior to becoming a member of the GWU faculty, she was a Principal at Health Management Associates (HMA) and an executive at EDS for State and Local Government Health Care with responsibilities including system design and implementation, Medicaid Management Information Systems (MMIS), provider relations, prior authorization, drug utilization, drug rebate, and claims processing.

As a public servant for almost 30 years, Patricia spent six years at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS), where she served as Group Director for the Center for Medicaid and State Operations (CMSO) managing the Quality and Performance Management Group, and the State Health Demonstration Group (1115 and 1915(b) waivers). Ms. MacTaggart also served as Minnesota's Medicaid Director, and held state Medicaid management positions for more than 10 years as well as various county-level eligibility positions in the Medicaid arena over an additional 10 plus years. Ms MacTaggart is also a current member of several national committees devoted to healthcare, quality and electronic health information.

