

Eleventh Daniel Webster Scholar Class Officially Inducted

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The 11th class of Daniel Webster Scholars was officially inducted into the nationally-acclaimed Daniel Webster Scholar Honors Program by the New Hampshire Supreme Court on Wednesday, Sept. 14. Justice Gary Hicks addressed the students, telling them that they were joining a program that has been recognized as a model for legal education across the country.

“That’s because it works,” Justice Hicks said.

Webster Scholars undergo an intensive, 2-year experiential program that takes the place of the traditional two-day bar exam. They have both simulated and real legal experiences, create extensive portfolios of their work, and meet with their bar examiners three times while they are in the program. Successful students are sworn into the New Hampshire bar the day before graduation. The program was the focus of a two-year study that culminated in a report from an independent think tank called the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System (IAALS). The report, *Ahead of the Curve: Turning Law Students Into Lawyers*, recommended the DWS program for national consideration.

“This is another great group,” said DWS Program Director, Professor John Garvey. “Like the classes before them, these

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students seem motivated to do more than what is normally expected of them in law school. That's how they get ahead of the curve.”

Members of the Daniel Webster Scholar class of 2018 are: Devon Ayer, Shawna Bentley, Devin Bolger, Trevor Brown, Erin Bucksbaum, Christian Burroughs, Lisa DeFronzo, Jaclyn Fisher, Nicholas Higgins, Christine Hilliard, Kelley Karnan, Nathan Kenison-Marvin, Timothy Lachance, Tyler Macdonald, Audriana Mekula-Hanson, Austin Mikolaities, Katherine Muzzy, Kayla Turner, Jane Vukmer, and William Warren.

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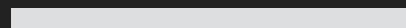
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This brief provides updates from the Insurance Coverage and Marketplace "Covering the Care Briefs" that were previously published.¹ This update also includes a special section focused on premiums and deductibles in New Hampshire.

WHY DOES INSURANCE COVERAGE MATTER?

Individuals risk experiencing unexpected and high medical costs and often forgo necessary care when they lack health insurance. More than 3 in 4 uninsured adults said they or their family delayed or went without health care because of cost reasons in 2019.²

INSURANCE COVERAGE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

The uninsured rate in NH has been consistent in recent years, approximately 6% from 2015 through 2019, down from almost 11% in 2013.³ Nationally, the uninsured rate was approximately 9% in 2019. New Hampshire's rate of 6.3% in 2019 is higher than its 2018 rate of 5.7% while these are not significant

FOCUS ON HEALTH POLICY RISING COSTS AND MARKET INSTABILITY

The cost of health insurance, in terms of premiums and deductibles, increased significantly between 2017 and 2019. This is due in part to the reality that the underlying costs to provide health care are high, and New Hampshire is a small state. The insurance industry attributes rising premiums to many factors, including:

- ongoing uncertainty about the future of the Affordable Care Act;
- the elimination of the individual mandate penalty by Congress in December 2017;
- lack of funding for cost sharing reductions;

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