

# **60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Symposium Reflections and Challenges**

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# **Congratulations on 60 years of shaping the nation's health statistics and information policy!**

- Making an impact
- Meeting the challenges of today
- Facing the challenges of tomorrow

# Making an Impact

*Whenever the need arose to help DHHS address a key issue, NCVHS was there*

- HIPAA
- Electronic Records
- Classification Systems

# Meeting the Challenges of today

*Working in partnership with NCHS throughout our 50 year history to*

- Ensure privacy and confidentiality in an increasingly complex environment
- Promote highest quality of data
- Support bringing data to the community level for local action

# Facing the challenges of tomorrow

*We will continue to depend on the Committee to help meet data and policy needs*

- Helping to determine what's needed to advance the health of Americans
- Recommending the infrastructure changes needed to get us where we need to be

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- Our 50 year partnership with NCVHS includes such highlights as
  - The work we did together with the DHHS Data Council to develop a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Vision for Health Statistics
  - The more recent collaboration between NCVHS and the NCHS BSC

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- We're depending upon NCVHS guidance as we "revisit" the "vision" and work on the Community Health Data Initiative
  - How do we ensure that we get high-quality data in the hands of local decision-makers
  - How do we help communities best use the data for decision-making

## **And last but not least...**

- We invite you to help us celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> birthday on August 17 at our National Conference in Washington, DC