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MMIS Replacement Planning Report

February 3, 2020

LB 657 (2015)

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Pete Ricketts, Governor

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Patrick O'Donnell, Clerk of the Legislature
State Capitol, Room 2018
P.O. Box 94604
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

In accordance with LB 657 of 2015, please find the attached quarterly report on Medicaid management information system (MMIS) replacement planning.

Please contact my office with any questions at Jeremy.Brunssen@Nebraska.gov or (402) 471-2135.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeremy Brunssen", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Jeremy Brunssen, Interim Director
Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care
Department of Health and Human Services

Attachment

Project Status Summary by Component

Data Management and Analytics (DMA)

Table 1: DMA Project Milestones

DMA Project Milestones	Target Completion
Design, Development, Implementation	Active – April 2020
Training	Active – April 2020
User Acceptance Testing	Active – December 2019
R2 Certification Milestone Review	March 2020
Go-live	April 2020

The project deliverables which were completed this quarter and are pending approval from the State include: Annual System Refresh Plan, Business and Technical Operating Procedures, Turnover Plan, Services Catalog and Registry, Initial Operations Support and Management Plan, Operations System Development Life Cycle Plan, and User Documentation Update.

The following deliverables are currently in the review process: Operations Project Management Plan/Staffing Plan, Operations Integrated Master Schedule, Program Integrity Algorithm Library, System Readiness Test Results, and the Implementation and Contingency Plan.

End-user training activities continue. Certification evidence collection and preparation for the R2 event are in progress.

Eligibility and Enrollment System (EES) Phase 2

DHHS is consulting with Gartner, Inc., the Office of the CIO, CMS, and other relevant parties to begin planning a replacement project for the Eligibility and Enrollment System (EES) Phase 2 called Integrated Eligibility and Enrollment / Benefits Management. The original EES Phase 2 project will be formally closed with CMS and a new Implementation and Advanced Planning Document will be filed.

Electronic Visit Verification

The Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Request for Proposal procurement was released on August 9, 2019, and bids opened on October 7, 2019.

The Intent to Award was released on December 19, 2019 for the selected vendor Tellus.

Contract coordination is in process. Once contract language is complete, the proposed contract and completed procurement package will be sent to CMS for review and approval prior to contract signing. Once the contract is signed, implementation activities will begin with the EVV contractor. Current target for contract start is February 26, 2020, with final implementation targeted for December 14, 2020. Implementation preparation, communication, testing, training

and organizational change management activities will occur over the next few months in preparation for a phased implementation approach.