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Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care

MMIS Replacement Planning Report

May 4, 2020

LB 657 (2015)



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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 "JB", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jeremy Brunssen, Interim Director
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Department of Health and Human Services

Attachment

Project Status Summary by Component

Data Management and Analytics (DMA)

DMA Project Milestones

DMA Project Milestones:	Target Completion
Design / Development/Implementation	Active – November 2020
Soft Launch	June 2020
User Acceptance Testing	August 2020
R2 Certification Milestone	September 2020
Training	October 2020

Amendment 3 changed the scope and schedule of DMA contracted deliverables to include enhancements for Heritage Health Adult, CMS 64 and financial reporting and other product improvements to drive operational efficiencies for the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care.

The project deliverables currently in the review process are: Program Integrity Algorithm Library, Data Conversion Execution Packages, and the Operations IMS.

Web-based training modules are now available for end users, and other training activities are in progress. Certification evidence collection and preparation for the CMS Operational Readiness Milestone Review (R2) event continues.

Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)

The 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 4Tellus. Due to changes in the CMS certification process following the procurement release, an addendum was created to ensure ongoing compliance to CMS requirements. The state's contact with 4Tellus was approved by CMS on March 11, 2020 and was signed on March 13, 2020.

The initial joint project kickoff and demo occurred on March 31, 2020 and joint planning is underway. During April, 2020, both the selected vendor and the DHHS development team jointly reviewed requirements and planned enhancements to ensure the project stays on track. The selected solution is being configured to meet Nebraska program rules and statutes and the required interfaces are being developed for data exchange between systems.

Implementation preparation, communication, testing, training, and organizational change management activities will occur over the next few months in preparation for a phased

implementation approach to occur in October-December 2020. An integrated master project schedule will be released once joint planning is completed.