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Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care

MMIS Replacement Planning Report

July 31, 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", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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
Go Live	November 2020

This quarter, the following deliverables were completed and approved:

- Program Integrity Algorithm Library, which documents the processes associated with algorithm additions or modifications and other details specific to each algorithm;
- Data Conversion Execution Packages, which captures the conversion process details for historical data files; and
- Signed Attestation, a letter to attest to the readiness of the DMA system for soft launch in June 2020.

The following items are under review and should be completed by August 7, 2020:

- Operations Integrated Master Schedule, which is a project schedule focused on Operations tasks for both the State and Deloitte; and
- Soft launch Release Notes, which give an overview of the changes made to the system since its last release.

Web-based training modules and in-person training sessions were held prior to Soft Launch. Additional training sessions will be held in August and October 2020. Preparation for the R2 Certification event is in progress, which is when CMS will review required documentation to ensure the project is meeting standards.

Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)

EVV Project Milestones:	Target Completion
Design / Development / Implementation	Active – November 2020
User Acceptance Testing	July 30 – September 8, 2020
R2 Certification	September 1 & 2, 2020
Go Live – Phase 1	September 27, 2020
Go Live – Phase 2	October 25, 2020

This quarter, the design phase started. 4Tellus and Nebraska jointly participated in requirements and enhancement gathering meetings to define the rules, statutes, and interfaces needed to configure the EVV solution to meet Nebraska's needs. The design phase was completed June 14, 2020.

The EVV project is currently in the development phase and will continue until September 18, 2020. During this time, all interface development and system requirements will be completed. System Integration Testing is scheduled to be completed and move into User Acceptance Testing (UAT) beginning July 30, 2020. UAT will last 6 weeks and is planned to end September 8, 2020. R2 certification is scheduled for September 1-2, 2020. With approval for R2, Nebraska will plan to begin implementation of the EVV solution.

Implementation is planned to occur in two phases. Phase 1 go-live is scheduled to start September 27, 2020 and continue through October 24, 2020. Phase 2 go-live is scheduled to start October 25, 2020 and continue through November 28, 2020. Nebraska's EVV solution should be fully online by December 2020.