



Medicaid Reform

Brief update

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Updated timeline

- Legislation SL 2015-245
- 1115 waiver submitted to CMS June 1, 2016.
- Amended 1115 waiver submitted November 20, 2017.
- Expect response any day.
- RFP for MCO proposals soon after approval.
- Award of proposals around July 1, 2018.
- Implementation of managed care begins July 1, 2019.



Comments on timeline

- Contingent on CMS approval soon.
- Contingent on NCGA ongoing work with NCGA
- Once contracts are awarded to MCOs, legal challenge is possible which would delay implementation.
- Staged implementation—
 - year 1: aged, blind, disabled, all other standard plan (1.5 million)
 - year 3: tailored plan (non-duals and duals), and foster children (135,000)
 - year 5: LTSS non-duals and full dually eligible (208,000)



More info

- <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/medicaid-transformation>
- Frequent white papers
- Quality strategy
- Focus on care management and social determinants of health



Quality metrics

- 2 million patients will be moving to VBP in the next 1-4 years. Tipping point?
- Investment in SDOH. Interesting in funding across silos in state government.
- Quality metrics will include SDOH.
- Direct investments in SDOH. Community pilots. Program and disease specific interventions.



Accountable Care Communities



- Explicit focus on health system and community partnerships to address social determinants of health.
- Partnerships, governance, data infrastructure, information sharing, financial models, and return on investment.

