

# Medicaid to Marketplace Bridge Planning Update

March 13, 2023







# Overview

- Customer journey and timelines for enrollment
- Enrollment estimates
- Staffing Plan
- Customer outreach and partner engagement
- Recommended unwind strategies for State-Based Marketplaces
- Reporting



# Customer Journey: Transition to Connect for Health Colorado

Member receives their letter telling them that they are no longer eligible for Health First Colorado/CHP+ and encouraging them to apply with ConnectforHealthCO.com

During their Special Enrollment Period, member applies with Connect for Health Colorado on their own or with a Broker or Assister.

Member selects a health insurance plan. Their coverage begins on the first day of the month following plan selection.

Member is covered for 2023!



# How long is the Special Enrollment Period?

- Customers who qualify have up to 60 days before they lose Medicaid/CHP+ to enroll.
- Coverage will start first of the following month after they select a Marketplace plan.
- Under proposed draft Division of Insurance (DOI) regulation, customers who lose Medicaid/CHP+ will have from April 1, 2023, to July 31, 2024, to enroll.



# **High-Level Customer Journey Timeline**

High-Level Milestone	Target Start Date
HCPF renewal packets go to customers	3/15/23
First day eligible people can enroll for June 1 <sup>st</sup> coverage	4/01/23
C4 Reporting and Outreach	4/01/23
Expected Packet returns	4/20/23 - 5/5/23
First customer terminations / renewals (last day of coverage)	5/31/23
Scheduled end of Medicaid Unwind SEP	7/31/24

Process repeated monthly through July '24



# Medicaid Continuous Coverage Unwind

- HCPF estimates approximately 325k members may no longer qualify for Medicaid of CHP+ and will need to transition to other affordable coverage.
- Will be able to utilize an unwind SEP from April 1, 2023 July 31, 2024.



# Assumptions

## How many will be **eligible** for a QHP?

- We assume beneficiaries with a termination reason of "over income" and NO third party coverage will be eligible.
  - May include individuals that have ESI but haven't reported it
  - Some individuals with other termination reasons ("failed to provide verification at renewal") may also be over income

# How many will enroll?

- We estimate a range of 1-10% of those eligible will enroll
  - Based on historically low (3%) exchange enrollment among beneficiaries disenrolled from Medicaid<sup>1</sup>
  - We are targeting higher enrollment due to expanded SEP, additional outreach.
  - C4HCO is preparing and will adjust for any volume.



# **Enrollment Estimates**

	HAS Third Party Coverage		NO Third Party Coverage		
	All Other Termination	Over	All Other Termination	Over	C4 Enrollment
	Reasons	Income	Reasons	Income	Estimate (1 – 10%)
CHP+	1,178	180	23,728	3,966	40 - 397
Medicaid	87,070	40,597	431,631	189,704	1,897 - 18,970
Total	88,248	40,777	455,359	193,670	1,937 - 19,367
			Eligik	ole	Enrolled



- Staffing for scenario comparable to Open Enrollment call volumes.
- Will be revisiting staffing estimates on an ongoing basis during unwind to adjust as needed.
- C4HCO ability to onboard new customer service staff in about three weeks, including training.

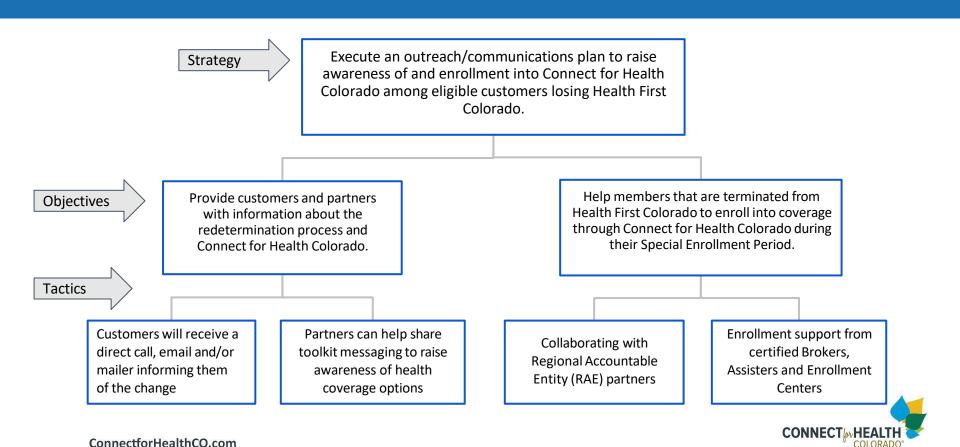
Customer Service Center Staffing Plan



# Connect for Health Colorado Outreach and Communications



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# Connect for Health Colorado Emails to **Potential Customers**

Example from last Open Enrollment



#### Open Enrollment begins today!

You recently applied for health insurance with our partner, Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program). While you did not qualify for Medicaid, your application shows that you are approved for lower monthly premiums for plans through Connect for Health Colorado.

Open Enrollment has officially started! This is the one time you can change your health insurance coverage for 2022. If you have questions or need help enrolling, make a free in-person or virtual appointment with a Broker or an Assister.

**Get Started** 

#### Wondering who we are?

Connect for Health Colorado is our state's health insurance marketplace, where you can shop for health insurance and also apply for financial help to bring down your monthly costs.

View 2022 plans &

#### ConnectforHealthCO.com

855-752-6749













Simple language and short emails





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# Print and Virtual Materials about the Marketplace

Order materials through our online store at <a href="C4HCOStore.com">C4HCOStore.com</a> any time during the year. Materials are free to you— we cover all costs from the store to your door!

Virtual versions of the materials and more using our online toolkit: <a href="https://c4h.co/OE10toolkit">https://c4h.co/OE10toolkit</a>



# Free Connect for Health Colorado Materials









# Collaboration with Regional Accountable Entities

- Ongoing information sharing about hand-offs; C4HCO participating in regular RAE convenings.
- Shared contact information for all C4HCO enrollment assistance sites.
- Developing list of C4HCO enrollment assistance sites by county.
- C4HCO to share materials and provide presentations leading up to and throughout the unwind.

# Partnership with Assisters and Brokers

- Where existing associations, C4HCO to share customer information with brokers and assisters.
- Where associations do not exist, C4HCO to promote so customers can get needed assistance.
- Brokers and Assisters will conduct their own outreach, using C4HCO materials to help their networks and their communities gain awareness.



# Use of SB22-081 Funds for Unwind Efforts Approved by C4HCO Board in September

- Unwind Funding approved in September by C4HCO Board
  - \$100,000 for outbound calls to customers who have not yet enrolled.
  - \$200,000 to HCPF
    - PSA Campaign for 6 months
    - HCPF and C4HCO joint letter to customers who are over-income for Medicaid and prefer mailed correspondence.
    - Printed collateral for homeless shelters and other community partners.
  - \$355,00 for assister and broker led marketing and outreach.



# Next Steps for SB 22-081 Funds

- Up to an additional \$1 million to be allocated.
- Focus on funding for unwind efforts.
- For discussion at March Board Advisory Group meeting.
- Decisions planned for April C4HCO Executive and Finance Committee and full board meeting.



# Reporting



# Marketplace Reporting During Medicaid Unwind

- Monthly required reporting to CMS.
- Connect for Health Colorado
   Board will receive monthly
   enrollment updates on Medicaid
   to Marketplace Bridge.

#### For Discussion

- What questions do you have about the unwind?
- What information is most helpful to you?



# Recommended unwind strategies for SBMs

- Actions State-Based Marketplaces (SBMs) can take from State Health and Value Strategies
  - ✓ Extend deadlines for customers losing Medicaid to enroll in Marketplace plans.
  - ✓ Outreach to customers who may be newly eligible for APTC after the end of the family glitch.
  - ✓ Ease enrollment by limiting data matching inconsistences.
  - ✓ Target educational materials and assistance to consumers losing Medicaid who may be unfamiliar with Marketplace coverage.

Source: https://www.shvs.org/secrets-to-a-successful-unwinding-actions-state-based-marketplaces-and-insurance-departments-can-take-to-improve-coverage-transitions/

# Questions?

