Medicaid Expansion and the DPHHS Roadmap for IT Systems

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Medicaid Expansion

- The Affordable Care Act (ACA) will significantly increase Medicaid eligibility
  - National estimate is 20 million more eligible for Medicaid in 2014
  - Montana's estimate is 84,000 more by SFY 2019
- ACA mandates streamlined enrollment
  - Vertical coordination of Medicaid, HMK, Exchange
  - Horizontal coordination with human services

Medicaid Eligibility under ACA

- Single, streamlined application

- One Stop Shop to determine eligibility for Exchange, Medicaid and HMK

- Many existing Medicaid eligibility categories will collapse into four and will be based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI)

- Result is a seamless/coordinated eligibility determination process for individuals applying for coverage, whether they are determined eligible for Medicaid or Exchange coverage

Challenges for States

- Funding
  - Enhanced Federal Financial Participation (FFP) is now available

- Magnitude of change
  - Information technology
  - Eligibility rules

- Timeframe
  - 2014

Enhanced Federal Funding

- CMS is allowing a specific exception to the cost allocation requirement for development and enhancement of eligibility systems, from 50/50 to 90/10 FFP

- States must comply with 7 conditions and standards in order to quality for the enhanced funding

7 CMS Conditions & Standards

1. Modular
2. MITA-Aligned
3. Industry Standards
4. Share, Leverage, Re-use
5. Results Focused
6. Program Evaluation
7. Interoperable

What DPHHS is doing to align with the 7 Standards & Conditions

- Implemented CHIMES-Medicaid eligibility system
- Integrated HMK into CHIMES-Medicaid
- Building new SNAP and TANF eligibility systems
- Building an enterprise architecture (EA) with shared services for interoperability
- Enhancing CHIMES-Medicaid/HMK for the EA
- Submitted an Advance Planning Document requesting enhanced FFP; this has been approved by CMS

Next Steps

- Implement new SNAP and TANF eligibility systems
- Implement EA with coordinated eligibility for Medicaid/HMK/SNAP/TANF
- Submit Implementation Advance Planning Document (IAPD) for ACA enhancements
- Enhance CHIMES-Medicaid/HMK to meet ACA eligibility and enrollment rules
- Enhance EA for interoperability with the exchange

Questions?