

Virginia Health Benefit Exchange Advisory Committee Meeting

Sabrina Corlette, Chair

Jane Kusiak, Vice Chair

June 21, 2022

Welcome, Call to Order

Reminder:

- Only committee members should have cameras turned on.
- Committee members can raise their hand to ask a question of the presenter.
- Stay muted until you are called on to speak.
- The transcript of this meeting will be made available online at <https://www.scc.virginia.gov/pages/Exchange-Administration>

Roll Call

Ex-officio Members:

Secretary John Littel – Health and Human Resources

Acting Director Cheryl Roberts – Department of Medical Assistance Services

Commissioner Colin Greene – Acting State Health Commissioner

Commissioner Danny Avula– Department of Social Services

Commissioner Scott White – Bureau of Insurance

Appointed / Voting Members:

Sabrina Corlette, Chair

Jane Norwood Kusiak, Vice Chair

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SCC Liaison:

Holly Mortlock– Chief Government Relations Officer, VA-HBE

Agenda

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Roll Call

SCC Announcements

Exchange Director's Update

Closed Session-Marketing Update

Subcommittee Reports

Other Business

- State Health Data Access Center presentation

Public Comments

SCC ANNOUNCEMENTS

HBE Director's Update

Recent Milestones



**Ongoing RFP
Evaluations**



New Staff Hires

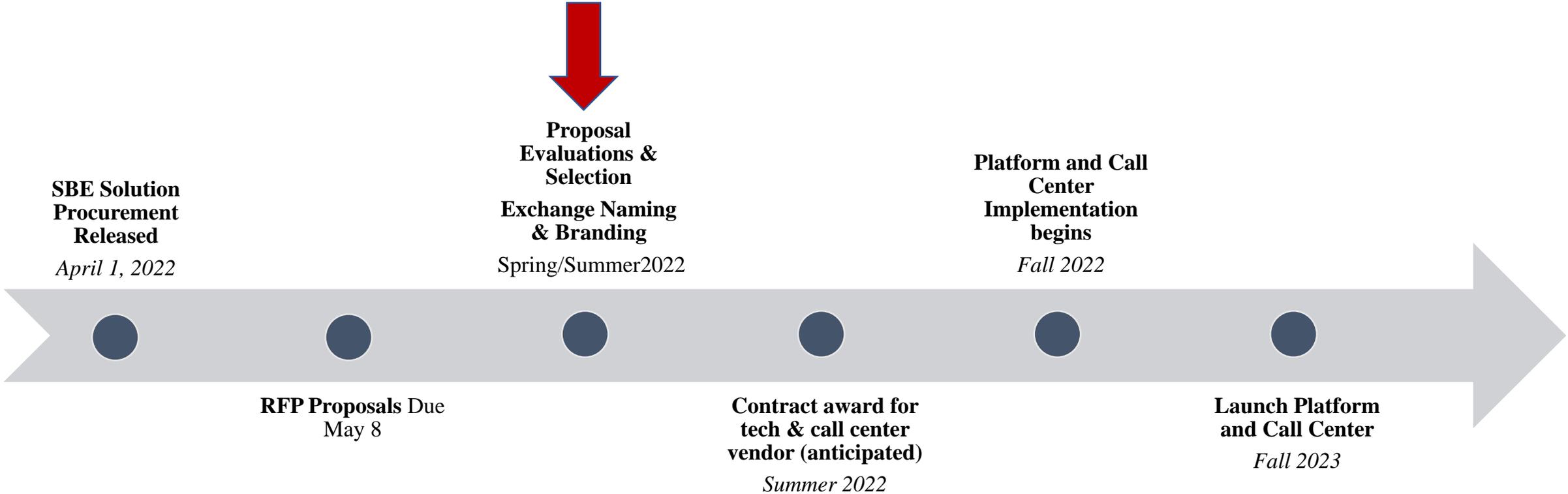


SMART Audit
Finalized June 1 and
submitted to CMS.



**2023 Navigator
Programs RFA**
Released- June 14

Director's Update- Transition Progress



Implementation Activities



DESIGN



SYSTEMS
INTEGRATION



DATA MIGRATION



TRAINING



TESTING, TESTING,
AND MORE TESTING

Keys to Success



BUILDING THE TEAM



**LEVERAGING EXPERIENCE
AND LESSONS LEARNED**



**ENGAGING WITH
STAKEHOLDERS**

Stakeholder Engagement

- Early and often
- Direct, dedicated points of contact with the Exchange



Insights from Other States

- 18 State-Based Marketplaces (SBMs) and 3 SBM-FPs (SBM on the Federal Platform).
- Focus on core requirements in first year
- On-going engagement of key partners
- Ensure sufficient time for testing and adjustments
- Opportune timing for Virginia
 - Technology continues to mature
 - Eligible vendors have successfully transitioned and operated in several states
 - Virginia is the only state transitioning in 2022

State Policy Update

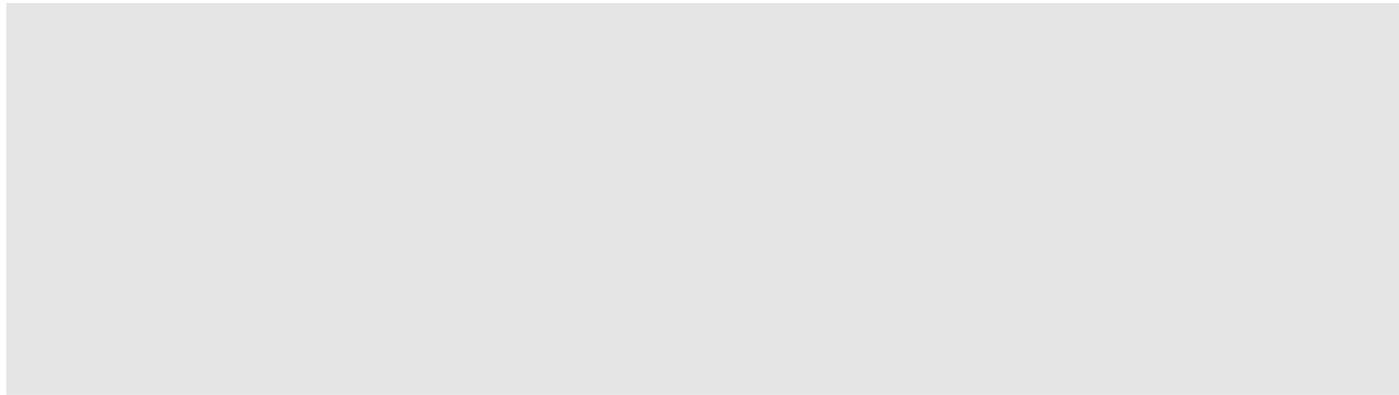
- **Reinsurance-** Virginia's 1332 [waiver application](#) was approved on May 18th . For FY 2023, it is expected that the Reinsurance program will achieve an approximately 15.6% rate reduction relative to having no reinsurance program.
- **Essential Health Benefits Benchmark Plan Study-**Pursuant to [Item 493 D1-2](#), BOI has begun its study of to evaluate the Commonwealth's options for potential new EHB benchmark plan. A report is due to the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committee and the Health Insurance Reform Commission on November 1, 2022. HBE is participating in conversations.

Recent Federal Activity

- **ARPA Subsidies-** Under current law, enhanced federal subsidies available under the American Rescue Plan will expire at the end of 2022.
 - Continued discussion at the federal level about extending the enhanced subsidies.
 - HBE continues to engage with other states to monitor federal activity and identify options for consumer education should the subsidies be ended or extended.
- **Closing the Family Glitch-** On April 5th, the Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service proposed a federal regulation to fix the “family glitch”, including a 60-day public comment period, which ended June 6th.
 - The proposal would amend existing federal tax credit regulations to provide that the definition of affordability of employer coverage for family members of an employee is based on the employees share of the cost for whole family coverage, not that of only the employee.
 - The IRS has scheduled a public hearing for June 27th . For further detail:
 - [Federal Register :: Affordability of Employer Coverage for Family Members of Employees](#)
- **Public Health Emergency Unwinding**

Advisory Committee- Closed Session

Subcommittee Reports



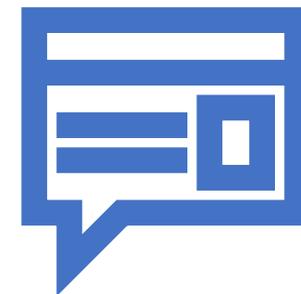
Other Business

Presentation from State Health Access Data Center

Other Business

- 2022 Committee Meeting Dates:
 - 3rd Quarter: September 15
 - 4th Quarter: December 1
- All meetings will be held from 2:00-4:00pm.

Public Comments



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