







# UPDATE ON MEDICAID TO MARKETPLACE COVERAGE BRIDGE

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# Goals for Today's Presentation

- Receive Board feedback on success metrics and project priorities
- Provide status update on project progress to date
- Highlight assumptions and unknowns



#### Progress to Date

- Internal teams have met to discuss potential impact to operations from Medicaid to Marketplace Coverage Bridge.
  - Communications, Policy, Product Development, Customer Service, Legal
- Policy and Communications teams established bi-monthly meeting series with HCPF
  - Discuss updated guidance from CMS on terminations and verifications
  - Draft joint communications plan
    - Shared C4HCO Job Loss Toolkit (<a href="https://bit.ly/JobLossToolkit">https://bit.ly/JobLossToolkit</a>)
    - Developed outreach text for CDLE to share with UI claimants
- Public Health Emergency Declaration extended to October 23
  - Terminations may not begin until PHE declaration rescinded.

## Assumptions

- Majority of customers will be able to self-service
- Customer service staff will temporarily increase to accommodate the needs of this project
  - Faneuil
  - CSU
  - If Medicaid Bridge work does not materialize, temporary staff will be reassigned to other projects
- Training needs:
  - Faneuil/MSU 6 weeks
  - CSU 8 10 weeks



#### **Unknowns**

- Timing:
  - The date that terminations will resume
    - Possibility of PHE declaration extension
    - Whether CMS will allow terminations prior to the PHE being rescinded
    - Timing with C4HCO OE
  - The date that verifications will result in a negative action
  - When temporary staff should be onboarded
- Customer volume
  - Data needed: termination reason, termination date, FPL, identifiers to match against existing customers
- C4HCO capacity needed to support counties and external stakeholders as they process terminations, verifications, redeterminations, etc.



## **Defining Success**

- 1. Overcommunicate internally and externally
  - Craft strategy specific to Medicaid bridge customer profile
- 2. Create process that accommodates Medicaid bridge customers
  - Prioritize self-service and real-time determinations
  - Seamless pathway to PEAK
- 3. Monitor C4HCO workload impacts given capacity constraints for counties, assistance network, community partners



## **Next Steps and Guiding Principles**

- Let's overcommunicate!
  - Share out our Job Loss Toolkit
  - Invite potential partners to CoverCO
- C4HCO will provide updates as available:
  - Federal and state guidance
  - C4HCO planning
- Ask at this point: when this is over and we look back, how will we judge our performance?

