

Project Startup Report

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Project Name: MMIS Application Programming Interface

Agency Name: Department of Human Services

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) seeks to allow patients to have better access to their health data. CMS and the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) have issued the Interoperability and Patient Access final rule requiring Medicaid and Medicare advantage plans to develop a patient access Application Programming Interface (API) and a provider directory API. North Dakota Department of Human Services (DHS) will need to procure and implement a Health Level 7 Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (HL7 FHIR) API with the current Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS).

BUSINESS NEEDS AND PROBLEMS

DHS must comply with federal mandate (CMS-9115-F) from CMS and ONC.

PROJECT BASELINES

Project Start Date	Baseline End Date	Baseline Budget	Funding Source
10/6/2020	2/14/2022	\$656,082.00	Federal (CMS) and General Funding

Notes:

CMS is providing a 90/10 match for the project's budget.

OBJECTIVES

Business Objective	Measurement Description
Comply with Interoperability and Patient Access final rule.	DHS will report to CMS when solution is implemented and live.

KEY CONSTRAINTS AND/OR RISKS

- State staff resources are limited
 - Impact: Medium
 - Response: Seek agency buy-in to allow for enough resource allocation
- Exposure of PII/PHI
 - Impact: High
 - Response: Ensure all HIPAA regulations are applied to data endpoints
- Member call volume can increase
 - Impact: Medium
 - Response: Ensure call center resources are available and provide beneficiary education
- Possible complaints from providers after go-live
 - Impact: Medium
 - Response: Provide notice and education to providers