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UHIP Media Update – Monday, December 19, 2016

Good afternoon –

The State’s weekly legislative submission has been posted and can be found in the UHIP section of the Transparency Portal.

As a reminder for planning purposes, the UHIP communications team meets daily at 2:30 p.m. to review media inquiries with subject matter experts. If you have any UHIP-related questions, please try to provide them to us as soon as possible so we can gather the information you need before your deadlines.

Thanks!

-Brenna & Ashley

UHIP Media Update – Tuesday, December 20, 2016

Hello:

See attached fact sheets for today’s joint hearing of the House finance and oversight committees regarding the Unified Health Infrastructure Project.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you!

-Brenna & Ashley

UHIP Media Update – Wednesday, December 21, 2016

Good afternoon,
As a reminder, our next UHIP media briefing is **tomorrow, December 22, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. at Conference Room 2B, Department of Administration.**

This week, we received a response from FNS regarding our Corrective Action Plan (see attached). FNS is requesting additional information and refinements to the plan from us by January 19, 2017 so they can approve the overall plan. Our team will continue to work closely with FNS to revise and address all of the questions and concerns that remain regarding our CAP.

We appreciate FNS’ recognition of the commitment we have made to ensuring program access and integrity for all SNAP applicants and recipients, and we appreciate the agency’s ongoing support and guidance during this transition.

Thank you,

- Brenna & Ashley

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**UHIP Media Update – Thursday, December 22, 2016**

Hello:

Attached you will find the weekly UHIP metrics report, which shows the status of applications in the new, integrated health and human services eligibility system. In an effort to provide more comprehensive information, we have broken down these numbers by program and by each week going back to the launch date. As a reminder, we will continue to provide updates in this format on a weekly basis.

A few notes: this data is raw, preliminary, and has not yet been subject to quality control. You may notice some numbers have changed from week to week. These numbers reflect a snapshot of real-time data, which moves quickly and changes from day-to-day. This is going to happen as applications move past preliminary review and are re-classified by program. We are continuously working with our vendor and partners to improve data reporting, and will highlight changes and additions to our format as we move forward.

Some highlights of this report:

- Nearly 34% of work-in-progress, non-duplicate applications are awaiting information from the applicant.
- We have a dedicated team focused on registering applications. Currently, we have about 200 unregistered applications, which is approximately the amount of incoming applications each day and what is considered a steady state target.
- We have determined eligibility for almost 32,000 applications since the launch of the new eligibility system.
• We have constituted a medical team of specialized DHS eligibility technicians to focus solely on Medicaid verification.
• We have made a concerted effort to intake any SNAP expedited applications and move them forward with a dedicated team.

Thanks,

- Brenna & Ashley

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Note: There was no UHIP update to the media on Friday, December 23, 2016.