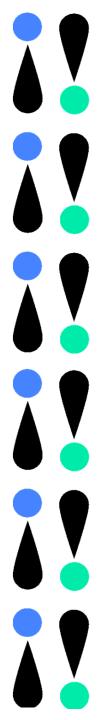




# Unified Platform: Benefits, Implementation, and Schedule

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### **Agenda**



- Unified Platform overview (UP)
- Benefits
- Costs
- Development and roll out key milestones
- Staging and phasing 2023
- What to do before new UP
- Summary

#### **Unified Platform Overview - Objectives**



- Omni-Channel calls, chats, texts, emails
- Components
  - Contact Center System (CCS)
  - Customer Relationship Management (CRM)
- Improved contact experience
- Improved counselor effectiveness
- Improved routing capabilities
- Greater visibility via enhanced data / analytics / reporting
- Hosted platform in the cloud

#### **Benefits**



- Better, faster, cheaper routing:
  - Calls
  - Chats
  - Texts
  - eMails
- Already a common system today for chat and text new UP one expanded to calls
- Initial and ongoing systems costs covered by Vibrant
- Support covered by vendors and Vibrant
- Dedicated telecom lines for current systems can be reduced / eliminated
- Integrated data flow and reporting throughout network
- Improved counselor and contact experiences
- Enhanced data / analytics / reporting, enabling better current and future outcomes
- Consistent workflows and processes

### **Costs (To Contact Centers in Network)**



- Adequate internet bandwidth by local Internet Service Provider (ISP)...
- As trade off for telecom reduction (TBD with what's still needed for other business lines)
- Local resources to aid in:
  - UP installation
  - Center data cleansing and migration
  - Change management for center personnel
  - Assisting in upgrades
  - Local hardware / infrastructure support (e.g. standard and secure PCs, wired / wireless local area network, etc.)
- TBD resource / funding for specialized integrations / reports

#### **Development and Roll Out Key Milestones**



- End of May 2021 SAMHSA awarding of 988
- Early June 2021 early October 2021:
  - Questionnaire, Request for Proposals (RFPs) as determined from questionnaire and vendor evaluations:
    - CCS
    - CRM
- Early October 2021 vendor selections
- Mid October 2021 July 2022:
  - Close vendor contracts
  - Design
  - Development
  - Integration
  - Testing
  - Data migrations
- October 2022 December 2022 initial phase I go-lives
- 2023 expanded roll out

#### **Staging and Phasing - 2023**



- Sign ups and readiness assessments in 2022
- Phasing of additional go-lives in waves, 2023, TBD
- Integration planning for non-migrating centers 2022 through 2023, TBD
- Evaluations / focus / priorities:
  - Vibrant's centers and backup centers to pilot, work out initial issues
  - Network centers' willingness and ability to adopt (and how many centers / phases needed)
  - Network centers' desire / need to not adopt but ease of integration
  - Network centers' desire / need to not adopt and complicated integration
- Two-way communications critical
- Desire and ease of adoption will get top priority and initial focus

#### What to Do Before New UP

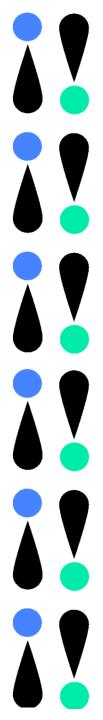


- Until go live, continued using existing toolsets:
  - CCS Vibrant's use of Pure Connect as a single program for chat / text
  - CRM your own existing system, not recommending adoption of our use of iCarol or migrating to new
- Good time to get your data right
  - Gaining understanding of your data export options
  - Enhancing current data accuracy / quality (e.G. Your contacts)
- Existing systems with new UP will co-exist for some period of time

#### **Summary**



- Unified Platform two main components
  - CCS
  - CRM
- Able to meet the person-in-need regardless of communication method
- Significantly better contact experience
- More efficient and effective counselors
- Better communications with centers
- Simplified administration
- Real-time and historical visibility
- Enhanced analytics / reporting



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