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Slide 1	Julian – 00:00:19	Hello and welcome. My name is Julian, and I'll be in the background answering any Zoom technical questions. If you experience difficulties during this session, please type your question into the Q and A. We encourage you to submit written questions at any time using the Q and A during today's event. Live closed captioning will be available in English and Spanish. You can find the link in the chat field. With that, I like to introduce Dana Durham, chief of the managed care quality and monitoring division at DHCS. And you now have the floor.
Slide 2	Dana Durham – 00:00:58	Thank you so much, Julian. And we're really excited to have you all here today as we talk specifically about PATH and our collaborative planning and our implementation.
Slide 2	Dana Durham – 00:01:10	But before we do that, I want to go through a little bit about the public health emergency unwinding. I know many of you have seen these slides before, but really this is so important that we want to keep emphasizing it. The public health emergency will end soon and if people don't have updated contact information, beneficiaries may lose their coverage. So our goals through this unwinding is to minimize beneficiary burden and really promote that people are able to have their coverage continued.
Slide 2	Dana Durham – 00:01:46	So of course, you want to know how you can get involved. Well, we want you to become a DHCS Coverage Ambassador. And to do that, we ask you to do two things. One is to download our outreach toolkit and it's on the webpage that's linked below. And then we want you to join our DHCS Coverage Ambassador mailing list. And that'll give you updates and toolkits and other items as they become available and it'll keep you up to date on things that are happening with the unwinding.
Slide 3	Dana Durham – 00:02:18	Can you go to the next slide, please?

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Slide 3	Dana Durham – 00:02:23	There are two phases to this unwinding. One is to encourage beneficiaries to really update their contact information. That'll happen immediately and we really want everyone to know that they need to update their contact information because many people have moved or had life changes since the pandemic started and we want to make sure we can get ahold of them, as we start renewal packets.
Slide 3	Dana Durham – 00:02:52	So there are flyers and other sorts of information. We encourage them. We encourage you to put those up in common areas like provider offices. We have call scripts, there are website banners. Anything you can do to remind people that they need to update their contact information would be great.
Slide 3	Dana Durham – 00:03:12	And then secondly, we want you to remind people to watch for the renewal packets in the mail. Those will come about 60 days prior. They'll start coming 60 days prior to the COVID-19 public health emergency termination, and just remind beneficiaries during that process to watch for those renewal packets, and once again, update their information if they've not done so already.
Slide 4	Dana Durham – 00:03:45	Next slide, please.
Slide 4	Dana Durham – 00:03:50	The goals for today's meeting really are to provide an overview of PATH, provide an update on the tentative PATH timelines and expected launch dates, and review program design for the Collaborative Planning and Implementation, our CITED program, or the Capacity and Infrastructure Transition, Expansion and Development program, and talk about the Technical Assistance Marketplace initiatives.
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Slide 5	Dana Durham – 00:04:21	So what is PATH? I'm sure many of you know, because you've chosen to join this webinar, but just to remind you, we have through our 1115 demonstration renewal package been approved for the Providing Access and Transforming Health program. And that really is that the state's aim through it is to transform our system to the next phase of what we're trying to do through CalAIM. We currently received 1.44 billion total computable funding to support PATH in order to maintain, build and scale the capacity necessary to ensure successful implementation of our Enhanced Care Management and our Community Support.
Slide 6	Dana Durham – 00:05:16	Next slide, please.
Slide 6	Dana Durham – 00:05:20	So there are really five parts to the PATH initiatives. I'm going to cover two of them really quickly and then we'll go in depth on the other three. The two that I'm going to cover quickly are in Justice-Involved Capacity Building and then our Whole Person Care Services and Transition to Managed Care Migration initiatives.
Slide 6	Dana Durham – 00:05:43	The ones we'll go over in depth are our Collaborative Planning and Implementation initiative and our Capacity Infrastructure Transition, Expansion and Development initiative or CITED, and our Technical Assistance Marketplace initiative.
Slide 7	Dana Durham – 00:05:59	Next slide, please.
Slide 7	Dana Durham – 00:06:03	So the first one that I won't cover in depth, but we'll just make sure you're aware of is our Whole Person Care Services and Transition to Managed Care Mitigation initiative. And the point of this initiative is really to provide funding for our former Whole Person Care lead entities to pay for existing services that happened in Whole Person Care as they transition to either Community Support or ECM that is going to be picked up by a managed care plan on or before January 1st, 2024.

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Slide 7	Dana Durham – 00:06:42	As I said, it supports the former lead entities to make sure that we don't lose any of the gains that we made that are going to be continued through CalAIM. So we had the lead entities map the services they were giving to ECM and or Community Supports. And we're going to continue to stand those up until the managed care plans take them over.
Slide 7	Dana Durham – 00:07:08	Currently 10 out of 12 eligible former Whole Person Care pilot lead entities have registered for this initiative and initial utilization reports are due towards the end of July, and then the invoices for those will be due at the end of August. Funding will be distributed once we can look at that utilization and invoices and go from there.
Slide 8	Dana Durham – 00:07:38	Next slide, please.
Slide 8	Dana Durham – 00:07:41	Our second initiative that I'm not going to go into depth about, but want to touch on is our Justice-Involved Capacity Building. And CalAIM approved through our 1115 waiver, \$151 million for PATH Justice-Involved Capacity Building. And what that capacity building is intended to do is it's to support that collaborative planning process and the IT investments that really are going to be needed so that we can support the implementation of the Justice-Involved prerelease Medi-Cal application and suspension processes.
Slide 8	Dana Durham – 00:08:21	California statute does require that all counties implement prerelease Medi-Cal application processes by 1/1/23. And that's in order to ensure the eligible individuals who are released from correctional institutions really receive that timely access to services. And approve PATH funding will support correctional institutions, correctional agencies, and county departments of social services, as they really develop their protocols and workflows and implement IT systems upgrades to support that prerelease enrollment and suspension processes.
Slide 8	Dana Durham – 00:09:03	And next, PATH funding is available in two rounds and the first really provides small planning grants and the second providing larger application based grants to support the modification of the prerelease application and suspension process.

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Slide 8	Dana Durham – 00:09:23	In addition to that, we're currently seeking approval for 410 million in additional funding for this initiative. And that really is to continue to support the planning and IT investments specifically related to the provision of prerelease and re-entry services.
Slide 9	Dana Durham – 00:09:41	Next slide, please.
Slide 9	Dana Durham – 00:09:43	So right here, you'll see a timeline and I did notice that there is a slight change, so I want to note that really quickly. Instead of releasing our CITED application draft in June, it's actually going to be released in July. So that'll give you time to prepare for the application window, which will open in August and close in September. We'll have a review of the applications and development of agreements through October, November, and then plan on disbursing funds in December.
Slide 9	Dana Durham – 00:10:21	Just to go back to the collaborative planning, our registration for that will open in August and will disburse funds beginning, for the first set, in September.
Slide 9	Dana Durham – 00:10:34	When we talk about our TA Marketplace, we are planning on launching that in January of '23, and we may be able to have some technical assistance earlier if it's ready, but we know that it'll be started by January of '23.
Slide 9	Dana Durham – 00:10:54	For our Justice-involved initiative, we do have a round going on currently and then round two opens in July and we expect that the funds for round one will be disbursed on a rolling basis throughout August, and the funds for round two will be disbursed around January.
Slide 10	Dana Durham – 00:11:19	Next slide, please.
Slide 11	Dana Durham – 00:11:22	I am going to turn it over to Jillian Clayton for talking about our collaborative planning. And Jillian works over at the PATH program. And over to you Jillian.
Slide 11	Jillian Clayton – 00:11:34	Great. Thank you, Dana. So now we'll talk more in detail about the Collaborative Planning and Implementation initiative. So DHCS will engage a third party administrator to work with stakeholders in the region to convene and facilitate county or regional collaborative planning effort.

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Slide 11	Jillian Clayton – 00:11:53	And there will generally be a single PATH-funded collaborative planning group in each county or region. Local collaborative planning groups will work together to identify, discuss, and resolve topical implementation issues and identify how PATH and other CalAIM funding initiatives, including the Incentive Payment Program may be used to address gaps identified in the managed care plan needs assessments and gap filling plans while also avoiding duplication of funding.
Slide 11	Jillian Clayton – 00:12:23	Collaborative planning efforts may build off of existing collaborative efforts from the Whole Person Care pilot program or other existing collaborative initiatives.
Slide 11	Jillian Clayton – 00:12:34	And some more information on the Collab Planning and Implementation initiative funding is that the funding will be used to support a designated PATH collaborative planning facilitator in each county or region. Individual collaborative planning participants will not receive funding via this initiative. So it will be just distributed to the facilitators and entities will not be required to participate in collaborative planning efforts in order to apply for PATH CITED funding.
Slide 12	Jillian Clayton – 00:13:04	Next slide, please.
Slide 12	Jillian Clayton – 00:13:08	Okay. So the current status of this initiative is that DHCS is in the process of soliciting and reviewing applications for the planning group facilitators. The DHCS will match approved facilitators to counties based on local needs and stakeholder input. And later this summer, collaborative planning group participants will have the opportunity to register for these groups launching in their county or region.
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Slide 13	Jillian Clayton – 00:13:40	Okay. So some more information on the collaborative planning group facilitators, each collaborative planning group will have a designated facilitator that's responsible for hosting and facilitating convenings and developing programming and content. DHCS will identify the entities that can service facilitators of these groups. One entity may serve as a facilitator for multiple different collaborative planning groups and entities eligible to serve as PATH-funded collaborative planning facilitators include, but are not limited to technical assistance vendors, consulting companies, foundations, nonprofits, and other DHCS approved entities.
Slide 13	Jillian Clayton – 00:14:20	The participants in a county or region may request to work with an alternative facilitator, if they have one that they would prefer. And if this is the case, then the PATH third party administrator would be responsible for collecting letters of support for the alternative facilitator from participants who are in that collaborative planning group. These potential alternative facilitators will be required to complete the same standardized application and will be vetted against the criteria as other facilitators.
Slide 14	Jillian Clayton – 00:14:53	Next slide, please.
Slide 14	Jillian Clayton – 00:14:58	Entities that are interested in serving as collaborative planning group facilitators will complete a standardized application and they include information such as previous experience hosting collaborative planning groups or learning networks, proposed collaborative planning approach, including how the facilitator will identify, reach out to and invite and engage participants as well as how the facilitator will work with participants to drive and prioritize programming topics for collaborative planning groups. They also must disclose their intended uses of funding and proposed funding milestone.
Slide 15	Jillian Clayton – 00:15:36	Next slide, please.

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Slide 15	Jillian Clayton – 00:15:40	The approach to the funding distribution for this initiative is that the PATH third party administrator will provide funding to collaborative planning group facilitators following completion of those approved milestones outlined in that application. The amount of funding available to facilitators will be determined by the number and size of collaborative planning groups that they support and funding will be used by facilitators to convene and facilitate collaborative planning groups. Individual participants, again, will not receive direct funding from the third party administrator.
Slide 16	Jillian Clayton – 00:16:14	Next slide, please.
Slide 16	Jillian Clayton – 00:16:18	All right. And then the collaborative planning group participants may include managed care plans, counties, city and local government agencies, providers, community based organizations, public hospitals, and Medi-Cal Tribal and Designees of Indian Health Programs, Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports Providers and others as approved by DHCS.
Slide 16	Jillian Clayton – 00:16:42	Entities providing, or that may provide Enhanced Care Management and or Community Support services and all entities that apply for PATH CITED or the TA Marketplace funding will be invited to participate in these collaborative planning groups.
Slide 16	Jillian Clayton – 00:16:58	The group facilitators will work with stakeholders to identify and invite other entities to participate. And once the collaborative groups are established, participants will help identify critical issues that need to be addressed through the collaborative planning process based on their experience to date.
Slide 16	Jillian Clayton – 00:17:17	Entities interested in participating in collaborative planning will complete a simple standardized registration form that indicates their interest and intent to join a collaborative in the community that they operate in and are permitted to participate in more than one collaborative group, if they operate in multiple regions. Community based organizations and other under-resourced entities will be supported throughout the registration process.

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Slide 17	Jillian Clayton – 00:17:45	Next slide.
Slide 17	Jillian Clayton – 00:17:48	So managed care plans will be encouraged to support local collaborative planning efforts and participate in the counties that they serve. Managed care plans will support identification of entities that participated in the Incentive Payment Program Needs Assessment and Gap Filling Plans, as well as those who are contracted for Enhanced Care Management and Community Support as providers to be invited to join these collaborative planning efforts.
Slide 17	Jillian Clayton – 00:18:16	Managed care plans will also be eligible to earn Incentive Payment Program funding by actively participating in these Collaborative Planning and Implementation groups. However, the managed care plans are not eligible to serve as the facilitators of these PATH Collaborative Planning and Implementation groups.
Slide 18	Jillian Clayton – 00:18:34	Next slide.
Slide 18	Jillian Clayton – 00:18:39	Okay, leveraging existing collaborative planning efforts. PATH-funded collaborative planning groups will leverage existing collaborative planning efforts that align with PATH program parameters when feasible. Entities that currently support facilitation of Enhanced Care Management or Community Support related collaborative planning efforts will be encouraged to serve as facilitators for PATH collaborative planning groups. Lessons learned and best practices gleaned from existing collaborative planning efforts will help jumpstart programming for PATH-funded collaborative planning groups.
Slide 18	Jillian Clayton – 00:19:11	DHCS surveyed stakeholders to understand the landscape of existing local collaborative planning efforts and will use survey responses to inform how existing facilitators can be incorporated into the initiative where gaps remain.
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Slide 19	Jillian Clayton – 00:19:30	Okay, then the needs of local providers and stakeholders will shape Collaborative Planning and Implementation activities by the county or region that they're located in and potential activities may include, but are not limited to identifying Enhanced Care Management and or Community Support needs and gaps within their community, identifying and resolving topical implementation issues, and monitoring how PATH funds are being used.
Slide 19	Jillian Clayton – 00:19:58	So some examples of those broader categories of funding uses are that participants may take stock of current ECM and Community Support services provided in the county and or region and identifying pressing needs and gaps. Participants may work with managed care plans to review the Incentive Payment Program Needs Assessment and gap filling plans. And participants may work with facilitators to understand how PATH and other CalAIM funding may be used to address needs and gaps within the county and region.
Slide 19	Jillian Clayton – 00:20:30	Also, facilitators may host regular convenings for entities to identify, discuss, and resolve local implementation issues that arise as CalAIM is rolled out across the county or region. The facilitator may work with participants to identify opportunities, to use PATH and other CalAIM funding sources to address CalAIM implementation issues.
Slide 19	Jillian Clayton – 00:20:52	Also, monitoring and reporting on the use of funds to address implementation issues are approvable activities and disseminating best practices that address implementation issues both within and across collaborative planning groups.
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Slide 20	Jillian Clayton – 00:21:11	All right, initiative oversight. So information on participants in regional or county based collaboratives will be made publicly available. The collaborative planning group facilitators will be responsible for submitting progress reports every six months to document the following, for example, how Collaborative Planning and Implementation funding has been spent, participation in the collaborative planning groups, their successes and challenges experienced by the participants in the groups, lessons learned and best practices identified by the managed care plans and other entities from participation in the collaborative planning group and results from participant survey, assessing satisfaction with collaborative planning facilitators, and recommendations for future topics and convenings.
Slide 20	Jillian Clayton – 00:21:59	DHCS will submit regular progress reports to the federal government that will summarize information included in the six month progress reports that are received from these facilitators.
Slide 21	Jillian Clayton – 00:22:09	Next slide, please.
Slide 21	Jillian Clayton – 00:22:13	Okay, and this timeline shows the tentative launch for this Collaborative Planning and Implementation initiative. It's supposed to begin in quarter three in this summer of 2022 and extend all the way until quarter two of 2025.
Slide 22	Jillian Clayton – 00:22:31	Next slide.
Slide 22	Jillian Clayton – 00:22:36	All right. And Dana, I will pass it back to you to go over CITED. Thank you.
Slide 23	Dana Durham – 00:22:40	Great. Thanks, Jillian. We are excited about CITED. It's one of the ones that I think will really help move CalAIM forward. And so the intent of the initiative overall is really to enable the transition, expansion and development of the capacity and infrastructure that really underlies what we're able to do in ECM and Community Supports.

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Slide 23	Dana Durham – 00:23:08	And so if an applicant wishes to receive CITED funding, they must submit their application with their request describing how that funding's intended to be used. CITED funding recipients will of course, be asked to be involved in the Collaborative Planning and Implementation groups and the applications and funding requests should consider the needs identified in the managed care plans, IPP Gap Assessment and Gap Filling Plans. Needs identified in the collaborative planning effort and other places that they're able to identify needs should be in that application.
Slide 24	Dana Durham – 00:23:52	So we're in the process of finalizing the template for the CITED program. We do expect that the applications will be reviewed for priorities and approved, and that we'll start disbursing the funding in the fall of 2022.
Slide 24	Dana Durham – 00:24:14	So some of the things to cover is applicants may include, but aren't limited to, so we can't think of everything, but some of the things we thought of, off the top of our heads were counties, cities, and local governments, public hospitals, providers, community based organizations, Medi-Cal Tribal and Designees of Indian Health programs. And as I said, others. As we see those, we will look at them and approve if it's appropriate.
Slide 24	Dana Durham – 00:24:43	Former Whole Person Care lead entities may use this funding to transition infrastructure developed under Whole Person Care to support ECM and Community Supports. There are a couple things to keep in mind. One is that the applicant must be actively contracted or have a signed attestations that they intend to contract with a plan for ECM and Community Supports. And the other thing is that managed care plans are not able to receive CITED funding.
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Slide 25	Dana Durham – 00:25:23	So through the application process, there are things we've identified that must be submitted. So an applicant's experience providing ECM or Community Supports or services that are similar, how you're going to use the CITED funds and justifying why the funds are needed. We want to know how that funding aligns with the local managed care plan, Incentive Payment Program Needs Assessment and Gap Filling Plan and how it aligns with the overall CalAIM goals.
Slide 25	Dana Durham – 00:25:58	And then CITED funding is for a just period of time, so we want to know your sustainability plan for after CITED and how are you going to make sure that what you've used CITED for can continue being operated. And then we're going to need a description of the milestones and deliverables for the CITED funding. And then how are you going to coordinate with the manage care plan to ensure that things are aligned and there's no duplication of funding.
Slide 25	Dana Durham – 00:26:33	So in order to be an applicant, you have to meet minimum eligibility criteria. That criteria is that you to have a completed application, you have to have financial solvency. You have to demonstrate that your funding's only going to be used on things that it's allowed to be used for, and that your project's going to align with CalAIM goals.
Slide 25	Dana Durham – 00:27:01	Your funding request has to be reasonable. And I will say, if we look at it and it's really off from what we think it should be, then we'd go back and have a conversation about that. And again, you do need to have an existing contract or attestation that you're going to be providing ECM or Community Supports.
Slide 26	Dana Durham – 00:27:24	Next slide.
Slide 26	Dana Durham – 00:27:26	More about the application process, but how we're going to review it. The applications will be reviewed during specified periods. I showed you on the chart previously when we'd review them. And during those periods, the PATH third party administrator will really collect, review and score the applications according to DHCS criteria. And then the third party administrator will meet with DHCS to determine which of the applications that are submitted are approved.

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Slide 26	Dana Durham – 00:28:01	So some criteria that we'll have for evaluating the applications will be strength of justification, alignment with CalAIM and ECM, Community Support goals. How are you approaching sustainability or is the applicant working with stakeholders? What are the program's milestones, and can we track to them to make sure they're met? Whether the applicant serves a historically marginalized or underserved population. We do care about participation in the Collaborative Planning and Implementation groups, although it's not required. And then we would have to have the budget detail and be able to assess the reasonableness of funding and the timeline over which that funding is proposed to be spent.
Slide 26	Dana Durham – 00:28:57	And so as far as we're approaching the funding distribution, the third party administrator will distribute funding to applicants, following receipt, review, and approval of funding request by DHCS.
Slide 27	Dana Durham – 00:29:14	Next slide, please.
Slide 27	Dana Durham – 00:29:17	These are, when we're at this point, looking at those application windows for CITED. Do expect that we'll be having an application window in August and September, and then reviewing applications and making sure that contracts are developed in October and November of this year, and finally distributing funding in December. And you'll see, there are five patterns for that, that will continue until the end of 2024.
Slide 27	Dana Durham – 00:29:54	We are really working to make sure that we promote an equitable distribution of CITED fundings and that's one of our goals. We're also looking at allocation targets for each county or region within the funding window. But they're not hard allocations or caps, and we have the discretion to adjust or exceed allocations, if something is really important that we see that needs to be done.
Slide 28	Dana Durham – 00:30:24	And Julian, I'll have you go over to the next slide.

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Slide 28	Dana Durham – 00:30:29	Here's some samples of activities that can happen with CITED. So for instance, increasing the provider workforce is something that we really think is important. So that can include the initial hiring, recruiting, onboarding of staff, or increasing the capacity to deliver services. So offering a new Community Support that you weren't able to offer before. Identification of critical gaps in making sure that those are met and then assessment of what you've got the ability to do now and how it needs to be transformed to work with work with ECM and Community Supports and work towards the goal of CalAIM.
Slide 28	Dana Durham – 00:31:15	Another category really would be to modify, purchase, develop necessary infrastructure or systems. And that can be in the form of a health information exchange between entities responsible for ECM and Community Supports. It can be an enhancement to existing systems that'll help you monitor or report your data. It could also be connecting to a closed loop referral system so that you can make sure that if someone is referred, that they actually get an appointment and are following up. And finally, that can be used to transition former Whole Person Care infrastructure for integration into ECM or Community Supports.
Slide 29	Dana Durham – 00:32:02	Next slide.
Slide 29	Dana Durham – 00:32:06	Also supporting delivery of ECM or Community Supports. So that might include a modification of existing physical infrastructure or provider sites that really will allow the delivery of ECM or Community Supports in a better way. And something that might be relevant to that is having a refrigerator that you can keep fresh food in or purchasing new medical respite beds. Could also be about purchasing hardware, office equipment that you need so that you can deliver ECM or Community Support services.
Slide 29	Dana Durham – 00:32:45	Another category is really evaluating and monitoring ECM and Community Supports. So that could be conducting a community health needs assessment to identify gaps where there're incapacity for one or more Community Supports.

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Slide 29	Dana Durham – 00:33:02	And there are other ways that you could use that funding or propose to use that funding. So one of those could be that you develop a plan to conduct outreach to populations who are traditionally under-resourced or underserved, and really get them engaged in care because that's our goal is to make sure that we're proactive in the way that care is delivered to those who are undergoing social determinants of health and or some health complications, and try to be more proactive in the ways that we offer the care.
Slide 30	Dana Durham – 00:33:39	Next slide, please.
Slide 30	Dana Durham – 00:33:43	Our allocation methodology. As I said before, we're going to define allocation targets. They will not be hard caps, but for each round of funding on a county by county basis, we're going to allocate that funding. And there are a variety of factors such as that at a county level we'll look at, such as Medicaid enrollment, the overall expenditures for the managed care plan and the measures of housing access that are available.
Slide 30	Dana Durham – 00:34:20	Counties that did not take part in Whole Person Care will receive an upward allocation adjustment because they are a little behind and we assume that means that more infrastructure will need to be given to them. If funding requests are lower than our target allocations, we may decide to fund all applications, which means the minimum eligibility criteria.
Slide 30	Dana Durham – 00:34:48	And if funding requests exceed our target allocations we'll consider maybe everything that we got needs to be funded. So, as I said, that's that example of that soft, not hard cap that will allow us to have targets, but not be so stuck to those targets that we don't meet the need out there. Our allocation targets will be reset before each funding round, and as I said, we can adjust that as we go.
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Slide 31	Dana Durham – 00:35:21	The way we're going to oversee CITED. Well, each recipient will need to provide reports to DHCS documenting the progress on the CITED funding received and other milestones or metrics. CITED cannot be used to support capacity and infrastructure that are duplicative of our IPP or other PATH capacity and infrastructure funding, or any funding that really is supplied by the state in general.
Slide 31	Dana Durham – 00:35:57	All recipients will be required to sign an attestation that they will assess and take steps to prevent duplication of funding. So the idea is not to stop anyone from getting funding, but to make sure that we're not funding something twice. And DHCS or the PATH third party administrator may conduct spot audits as needed to ensure that CITED funds are being used and reported appropriately.
Slide 32	Dana Durham – 00:36:27	Next slide, please.
Slide 32	Dana Durham – 00:36:30	This is the tentative timeline for the CITED program. And as you'll see, you've got the fourth quarter of 2022 through the second quarter of 2025. If this timeline has adjustments, we will certainly keep you updated on what they are, but we're really excited about this program and we think it's going to allow us to do amazing things in which really there's better data exchange and communication for Community Supports and ECM.
Slide 33	Dana Durham – 00:37:10	Next slide.
Slide 33	Dana Durham – 00:37:13	I will turn it back over to Jillian, who's going to talk about the Technical Assistance Marketplace.
Slide 34	Jillian Clayton – 00:37:22	Great. Thank you, Dana. All right, I'll talk a little bit more about our last initiative, the Technical Assistance or TA Marketplace, the funding available for the provision of the TA technical assistance for entities that intend to provide Enhanced Care Management or Community Supports.

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Slide 34	Jillian Clayton – 00:37:39	So entities may register for hands-on technical assistance support from vendors and also access off-the-shelf TA resources in predefined TA domains. So these resources may include things like hands-on training for Enhanced Care Management or Community Supports providers regarding billing and reporting requirements, contracting with the health plan and other areas that may be tailored to the needs of the organization and the communities that they operate in.
Slide 34	Jillian Clayton – 00:38:09	There's also guidance for data sharing processes between Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports providers and health plans, accelerated learning sessions or computer based learning modules for community based organizations, strategic planning consultations for entities implementing Enhanced Care Management or Community Support, and also customized project specific support provided by vendors registered with the TA Marketplace.
Slide 34	Jillian Clayton – 00:38:37	The TA resources will be provided through a virtual marketplace, which will serve as a one-stop-shop environment where these entities can access TA resources. The marketplace will be designed, launched and managed by our third party administrator. And the third party administrator will contract with other vendors to provide the TA services to these entities as part of the marketplace.
Slide 35	Jillian Clayton – 00:39:01	Next slide, please. Oh, great. Thank you.
Slide 35	Jillian Clayton – 00:39:09	So the eligibility criteria. So applicants include entities that are contracted with, or intend to contract with the managed care plans to provide Enhanced Care Management or Community Support services. So these include entities such as counties, cities, and local government agencies, public hospitals, and providers, community based providers and community based organizations, other Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports providers, Medi-Cal Tribal and Designee of Indian Health programs and other entities as approved by DHCS. And the managed care plans are not eligible to receive TA Marketplace resources.

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Slide 36	Jillian Clayton – 00:39:48	Next slide, please.
Slide 36	Jillian Clayton – 00:39:53	All right, and a little bit about the registration process for this initiative. Entities who are seeking technical assistance will fill out a standardized electronic registration form and submit it to the third party administrator for review for each request. The registration form will collect information on the entity type, contact information, info about the TA request and other funding sources the entity is accessing, as well as an attestation, information regarding other funding received that may overlap and their commitment to contract with the managed care plan to deliver ECM or Community Supports.
Slide 36	Jillian Clayton – 00:40:34	And there's a request review process. So the third party administrator will review these TA requests on a rolling basis and support these entities in accessing the right types of TA services or vendors providing those services on the marketplace.
Slide 36	Jillian Clayton – 00:40:51	The third party administrator will also ensure there's non duplication with other TA initiatives, for example, through review of relevant Incentive Payment Program Needs Assessment and Gap Filling Plans and other PATH-funded initiatives.
Slide 37	Jillian Clayton – 00:41:08	Next slide, please.
Slide 37	Jillian Clayton – 00:41:11	And our approach to the TA and funding distribution is the entity seeking the technical assistance will either access one of the off-the-shelf resources available on the marketplace or identify an appropriate vendor that is registered with the marketplace and can provide specialty TA services to that applicant.
Slide 37	Jillian Clayton – 00:41:32	The entity seeking the TA and the selected marketplace vendor will develop a scope of work that describes the project and corresponding deliverables. And the TPA will pay that vendor upon completion of the deliverables outlined in that scope of work. For any of the off the shelf resources, the TPA third party administrator will pay the vendor directly based on an agreed rate and or a fee schedule.
Slide 38	Jillian Clayton – 00:41:58	Next slide, please.

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Slide 39	Jillian Clayton – 00:41:59	Okay, and we'll go on to the next steps, the key next steps. So our third party administrator will begin operationalizing the Justice-Involved Capacity Building as well as the Collaborative Planning and Implementation initiative, CITED, and the TA Marketplace initiatives. And those are all in progress and underway.
Slide 39	Jillian Clayton – 00:42:21	Also the open registration for the collaborative planning groups and facilitators will open in the summer of 2022, and we intend to launch the application periods for CITED funding and round two of the Justice-Involved initiative funding in the summer as well.
Slide 40	Jillian Clayton – 00:42:41	Next slide, please.
Slide 40	Jillian Clayton – 00:42:47	Okay, I think that is a wrap. Dana, I will pass it back to you and we can maybe open up our floor for questions. Thank you everyone.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:42:58	Yeah, that'd be great.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:43:01	Excellent. Hi, this is Mandy Ferguson from Manatt chiming in. I've been monitoring the Q and A as we've been going along and we have tons of great questions spanning all of our initiatives. So we will take as many as we can get to in the next 15 minutes. And if we don't get to your question, feel free to email us at 1115path@dhcs.ca.gov , and we'll try to take your questions there.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:43:28	Okay, why don't we go by initiative here? So we've got a couple of questions related to the Collaborative Planning and Implementation PATH initiative. So maybe Jillian, I can direct the next two questions at you, the first of which is to what extent do entities have to participate in a collaborative planning group in order to have access to the CITED funding, in order to apply for the CITED funding, that kind of thing?

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Slide 40	Jillian Clayton – 00:43:58	Great. Thank you for the question. That's a great question. So entities are not required to participate in the Collaborative Planning and Implementation initiative in order to access CITED funding. However, there will be synergies between the two initiatives. So all CITED applicants will be invited to participate in a PATH collaborative planning group. And similarly, all collaborative planning groups will promote CITED application opportunities and windows.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:44:30	Awesome. Great. And another question on the collaborative planning groups, what's the health plan role? What's the managed care plan role in the collaborative planning groups? What are we expecting them to do? How are we expecting them to participate?
Slide 40	Jillian Clayton – 00:44:46	Yeah, great. Thank you for the question. The managed care plans are encouraged to participate in the collaborative planning groups in the counties they serve, and the MCPs will play a big role in supporting the identification of the entities that should be a part of these collaborative planning groups. However, the plans are not eligible to receive funding through PATH for the Collaborative Planning initiative, but they may receive the Incentive Payment Program funding for active participation in these collaborative planning groups.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:45:19	Excellent. Thank you, Jillian. We'll come back probably to a couple more collaborative planning questions, but I want to make sure we're covering all of the different initiatives. So maybe Dana, I can turn it over to you. We've got a couple of questions on CITED. One question is what happens if the county that I'm operating in exceeds the target for CITED funding? Are certain organizations going to be prioritized for funding, or how is the state, DHCS thinking about that?

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Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:45:53	Well, we have some flexibility with the target. It's a target, it's not a hard cap. So one of the things is, if it really is determined that there is the availability for a county to exceed their target, we certainly would do that. But then if every county is at their target, we may defer something to the next round, if we have questions, as well as really work to make sure that it's not a duplicative need or something else isn't happening that would fill that need.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:46:31	I think we'd have to see what was there to make an assessment, but we'll assess against the criteria that were outlined in the slide and then prioritize based on those criteria. So I think that gives you a glimpse of the lens with which we'll view the applications, but our goal really is to make sure that everything we can fund through CITED, we do fund through CITED.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:47:00	Thank you. And I think we need a little bit of clarification on the timeline. So we're releasing an updated tentative, but new timeline here today and it says that CITED funding is not going to be disbursed until the fourth quarter of 2022, likely December. So when can organizations expect to see applications and then begin applying for funds?
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:47:27	Great. And that's really, I'm glad you got that, because it wasn't totally clear on the slides. One of the things is we're almost finalized with the application. So one of the things I do want to point out is that those applications should come out in July. So be looking for that and you'll have some time to work on and prepare your application. I am going to ask that what we flip to, if it's possible, I don't know if it's possible, a previous slide that had the timeline for CITED. I don't know if that's hard or not.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:48:10	Dana, are you referring to the different rounds, the application windows and allocations, or are you referring to the slide that looks at-
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:48:22	Yes.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:48:23	I think that's slide 27. So maybe, Julian-
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:48:26	Thank you, Mandy.

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Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:48:27	... if you wouldn't mind just going back in time a little bit, that would be great.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:48:32	I'm glad you know the numbers. And I'm a visual person, so it's often helpful for me to actually see it. And it may be a little harder to pull that up, but I'd say that one of the things to note is that the applications are not due in July, they're going out. The application will be so you can start preparing for it in July and then in October and November is when we'll be reviewing them. But there'll be an open application window of August and September in which the applications can be sent into the third party administrator. And just to know those timelines and hopefully that's helpful.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:49:28	I will say that with that two month timeline where there's review, there could be some iterative processes and those really could be where we're having conversations about questions that we may have, or helping make sure that your application's complete. So the timeline of knowing that next month, or starting in a couple days, a new month, will be when the applications are available and then we'll have a pretty big application window. And we'll be very clear about that and you'll see it several different places and then we'll go from there.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 00:50:05	Great. Thank you.
Slide 27	Dana Durham – 00:50:08	So you see August and September are those open application periods. I'm glad it's up there because I thought I got it right, but I always wonder that I didn't. And then October, November is when we'll review those applications and get the contracts developed and then we're targeting December to get the funding disbursed.
Slide 27	Mandy Ferguson – 00:50:34	Great. Thank you so much, Dana. Okay, why don't we take one question related to the TA Marketplace, to the Technical Assistance Marketplace. Can you, Jillian, maybe give us a couple of examples of what kinds of technical assistance would be available on the marketplace? I know it doesn't launch until early next year, but maybe just give folks a couple of examples of what it might look like.

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No Slide	Jillian Clayton – 00:51:04	Oh, sure. Yeah. Thank you Mandy, for the question. So we're looking at preliminary priority TA domains with input from stakeholders, and these may include things such as contracting between the managed care plans and providers collecting, documenting and exchanging data between the plans and providers, maybe things like billing or billing for ECM or Community Support services. Also promoting health equity through the delivery of ECM and Community Supports. Also things like engaging with communities to support the implementation of Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports.
No Slide	Jillian Clayton – 00:51:43	We do welcome all feedback and input on what these domains should look like on the TA Marketplace. We are still in the development stages of this initiative. So if you have any thoughts or would like to share, please email us. I think we had our email posted on the slide, but it's 1115path@dhcs.ca.gov .
No Slide	Mandy Ferguson – 00:52:06	Awesome. Thank you, Jillian. And I hate to bounce around so much, but now we've got a lot of questions on CITED. So Dana, I'm going to bring it back to you. Can you tell folks if they can apply for CITED funding in multiple rounds or whether they're restricted to just one round?
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:52:27	I don't think we're restricted to just one round, but I do think that that would be taken into consideration if we're running up against funding limits. So just want to be clear that our goal is to fund everything. And even if you've applied before and you've identified something that's a real need, we would take the need into consideration and balance all that together because we want to make sure that you have all the support you need for the implementation of Community Supports and ECM. So yes, you can apply for more than one round, but we also are looking at those different priorities as well.
No Slide	Mandy Ferguson – 00:53:13	Great. And how does an organization need to collaborate with, or receive permission from a health plan to apply for CITED funding?

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No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:53:26	So permission would be more of a step than I would think an organization would really need to do because the health plan isn't part of that decision, but you would need to have a conversation. Make sure if you're getting software that you're getting software that aligns, that you can do data interoperability with your health plan, which means can you exchange the data that they need? Is a platform there that would be consistent with it, if that's what you're asking for? We would need to be able to show that.
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:54:01	If you're asking about growing capacity, is there the need for more providers in that area, we would need to make sure that that was a need and that it hadn't been met through another means such as their IPP or other providers that were participating. And the goal is to make sure that you have that connection through the collaborative process and can have those conversations proactively, because we do feel ...
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:54:35	I've had lots of conversations with the health plans and they want to support your ability to be in PATH and they'll be really open to that conversation. And so I think they're really excited about the ability for y'all to use PATH for these various initiatives that really will align with where we're trying to get as a state.
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:54:59	I hope that kind of answered it.
No Slide	Mandy Ferguson – 00:55:00	Thank you, Dana. Definitely. That was perfect. Thank you. I appreciate it. I think there is some confusion in the Q and A about who is eligible to apply for CITED funding. And I just want to make clear that CITED funding is not limited to former Whole Person Care lead entities, right?
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:55:24	Not at all.
No Slide	Mandy Ferguson – 00:55:25	It is more for ... Not at all? And so Dana, do you want to say ... I know we said it a little bit on the slide, but-
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:55:30	Sure. Sure.
No Slide	Mandy Ferguson – 00:55:30	... do you want to say just a reminder of who is eligible to apply for CITED funding?

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No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:55:36	Yeah. I mean, there are a lot more people or entities that are eligible than aren't. So let me start with that. The first is that managed care plans are not eligible. And then, if you have a contract to provide ECM or Community Support or some kind of working towards that with the plan, then you would be eligible.
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:56:00	So it's not that you have to have a contract, but you have to have the intent to contract in a reasonable timeframe. And what I mean by reasonable timeframe, you can't say, well, in 2030, I'm going to start working on ECM and Community Support, because it is meant to be an investment that will have some benefits in the short term, but that's not meant to be a barrier. It's just meant to say that there's some alignment there, you're having the conversations and that you're working towards the same goal with the managed care plan. So, if you have a question about whether or not you as a specific organization are eligible, you can certainly send in a question about it and we're happy to answer it as well.
No Slide	Mandy Ferguson – 00:56:51	Awesome. Thank you. Switching gears a little bit, we have a lot of questions about the third party administrator and I fear that we're not going to be able to give a totally satisfying answer today. But Dana or Jillian, can you tell us maybe when we can expect to hear about who the TPA is? And then can you tell us, are we expecting there to be one TPA for the entire state or are we going to have several TPAs that are going to cover the entire state?
No Slide	Jillian Clayton – 00:57:25	Yeah, I can take a stab at that, Dana, and then you can correct [inaudible 00:57:29]-
No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:57:28	Sounds great.
No Slide	Jillian Clayton – 00:57:30	So yes, we are aiming to just have one TPA for the entire state and we are expecting them to come on board in July, looking towards early July. Negotiations are still being underway. So we are looking to do that as soon as possible to get those launched.

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No Slide	Dana Durham – 00:57:49	Yeah, perfect answer. We expect them to be on soon. In fact, they're listening to the webinar. So as soon as we get the contract finalized, which we do expect to be early July, we'll make an announcement about the third party administrator.
No Slide	Mandy Ferguson – 00:58:07	Great. And I think we have time for just one more question and there's a bunch of questions about, are the applications for Collaborative Planning out, are the applications for CITED out? Where can we go for more information? And so, I know that DHCS is going to be communicating and the TPA, when they're on board is going to be communicating proactively to the field, but Dana, maybe you can just tell folks a little bit about what is currently available. I'm thinking about the collaborative planning guidance document and what's coming down the pike.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:58:47	Yeah, that's a really good question. And I'm going to put in the ... One, let's see if I can do it. We have a PATH webpage and the place that really you can get information about PATH that will be up to date is that webpage. So I have put in the chat and I would encourage you, if you have questions, to go there. It does currently have guidance about the collaborative planning process on it. The CITED application is not on there now, but we are really working towards getting it on there soon. And we want to make sure that you keep up to date with that page.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:59:39	So we will send out emails, letting people know that things are live as they're live, but you can always go to that page and refresh, if you're like sitting there going, I really want the application now, because I know you do.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 00:59:53	But I will say that the things that we went through on the slides are the elements for CITED. So you have the basic elements that will be on the CITED application. We're just working through a few of the details. If you want to start putting those glasses on and thinking through that lens of these are the things I need to think about when I'm trying to think about how I'm going to do my CITED application.

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Slide 40	Dana Durham – 01:00:20	So I think that's the best answer of the guidance for collaborative planning is there and we will be releasing CITED in July, but as we send out these slides or make them available, they'll be available on the webpage. Just know that that is the basic elements that will be included in the application.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 01:00:46	Great. Thank you so much, Dana and Jillian. This has been such a robust discussion. You've covered so much information. So we encourage folks to reach out to this email address here, if you have other questions, new questions, and we look forward to getting back in touch with you soon.
Slide 40	Dana Durham – 01:01:05	Thank you so much.
Slide 40	Mandy Ferguson – 01:01:06	Have a great afternoon.
Slide 40	Jillian Clayton – 01:01:06	Thank you.
Slide 40	Julian – 01:01:08	Thank you for joining. You may now disconnect.