

Vermont Medicaid and Exchange Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

1.	10:00	Call to Order	Devon Green and Erin Maguire, Co-Chairs
2.	10:00	Roll Call Establish Quorum	Zack Goss, Health Care Training and Communication Manager (DVHA)
3.	10:05	Approve Previous Minutes	Devon Green and Erin Maguire, Co-Chairs
4.	10:10	November Meeting Date Discussion; Membership and Recruitment Update	Zack Goss, Health Care Training and Communication Manager (DVHA)
5.	10:20	Office of the Health Care Advocate	Mike Fisher, Chief Health Care Advocate
6.	10:30	Provider Financial Relief: Health Care Provider Stabilization Grant Program update	Alicia Cooper, Director of Payment Reform, Reimbursement and Rate Setting (DVHA)
7.	11:00	VT State Agreement Scale Warning Notice	Ena Backus, Director of Health Care Reform (AHS)
8.	11:30	Commissioner's Update: Budget, Legislative, Enrollment & Federal Updates	Cory Gustafson, Commissioner (DVHA) Nissa James, Health Care Director (DVHA) Addie Strumolo, Deputy Commissioner (DVHA)
9.	11:50	Public Comment	Devon Green and Erin Maguire, Co-Chairs
10.	12:00	Adjourn	Devon Green and Erin Maguire, Co-Chairs

September 28, 2020
10am-12pm

Roll Call and Quorum

Zack Goss, Health Care Training and Communication Manager (DVHA)

July 27, 2020 & August 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Devon Green and Erin Maguire, Co-Chairs

Administrative Business

Zack Goss, Health Care Training and Communication Manager (DVHA)

November 2020 Meeting Date

November 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 <small>Veterans Day</small>	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <small>Thanksgiving Day</small>	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

December 2020

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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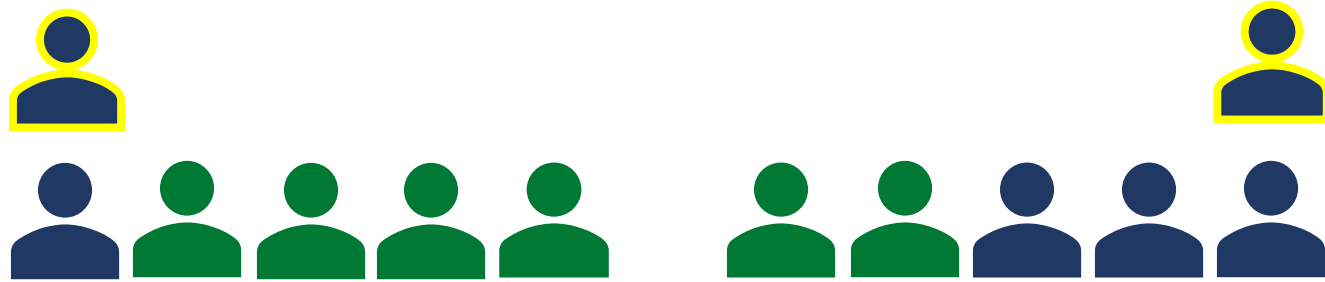
- Meeting currently falls on Thanksgiving week

Membership and Recruitment Update

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- All current members up for renewal have requested reappointment
- Based on recruitment, received 7 applications for new potential members
 1. Association of Africans Living in Vermont (AALV) (*Consumer Advocate*)
 2. Beneficiary
 3. Disability Rights Vermont (*Consumer Advocate*)
 4. Pride Center of Vermont (*Consumer Advocate*)
 5. Super Thin Saws (*Exchange/Business Representative*)
 6. Vermont Businesses for Social Responsibility (*Exchange/Business Representative*)
 7. Voices for Vermont's Children (*Consumer Advocate*)

Potential Composition: 22 Total Members, 19 Filled Positions (+3 extra), 3 Vacant Positions



Medicaid Beneficiaries

Consumer Advocates

Commissioner of Health



Health Insurer



Medicaid Beneficiaries	6 (5)	Exchange (Business) representatives	2 (5)
Consumer Advocates	6 (5)	Commissioner of Health	1 (1)
Health Care Professional	6 (5)	Health Insurer	1 (1)



DVHA
Commissioner (Non-Member)

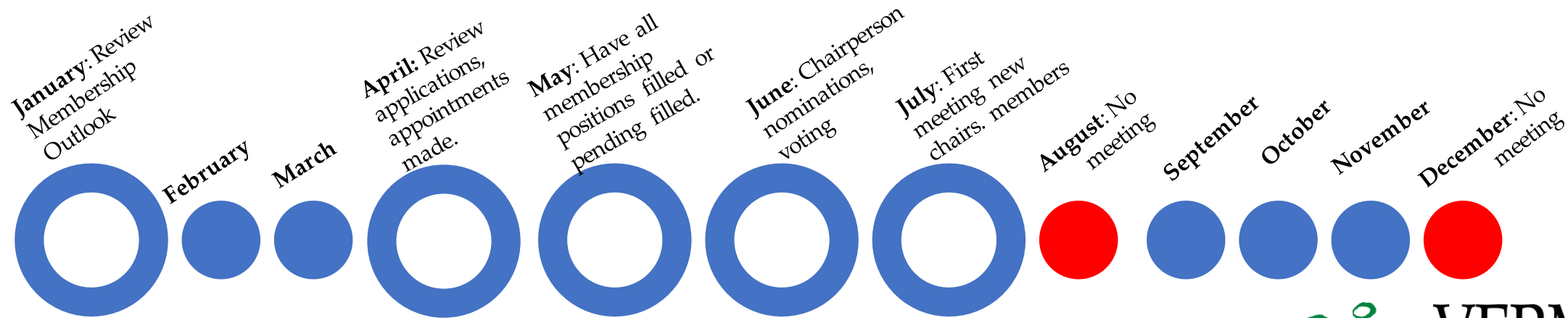
Health Care Professionals

Exchange Representatives



Recruitment next steps

- Appoint positions week of 9/28
- New members invited to attend 10/26 Advisory Committee meeting
- New member welcome and orientation meeting mid October
- DVHA to continue recruitment of:
 - 3 Exchange/Business vacancy positions
 - Board certified physician (as per federal statute)



Office of the Health Care Advocate

Mike Fisher,
Chief Health Care Advocate

Provider Financial Relief: Health Care Provider Stabilization Grant Program update

Alicia Cooper, Director of Payment Reform, Reimbursement and Rate
Setting (DVHA)

Program Description

Act 136 of 2020 enables the Health Care Provider Stabilization Grant Program.

- \$275,000,000.00 is appropriated from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.
- Must be administered in accordance with Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act governing the permissible use of Coronavirus Relief Funds.
- Creates a needs-based application process.

Program Description Cont.

- A broad array of health care and human service providers are eligible for the program.
- AHS is administering two application cycles:
 - Cycle I Application Deadline was August 15, 2020 (for the time period March 1, 2020 – June 15, 2020).
 - Cycle II Application is planned for October (for the time period March 1, 2020 – September 15, 2020).

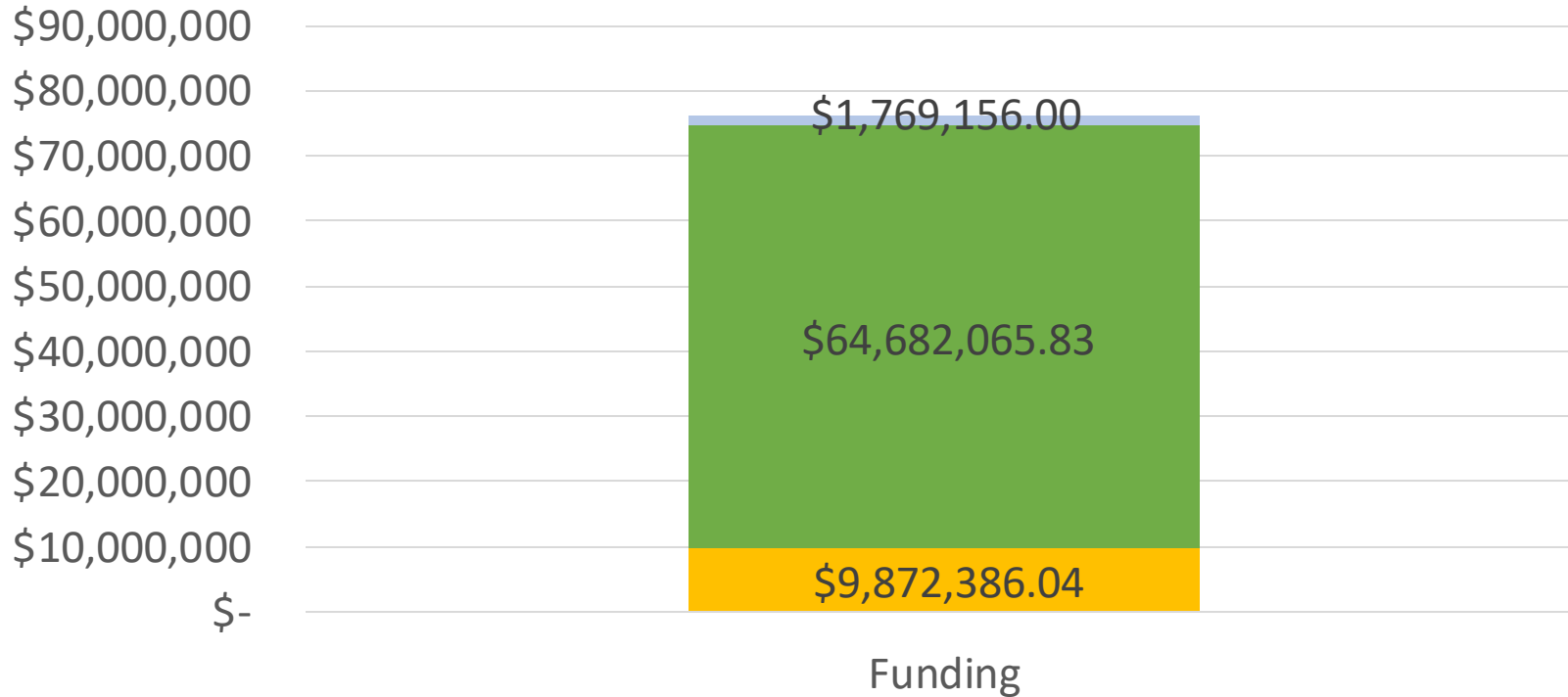
Conditions of Grant Funding

- Grant funds will be expended by December 30, 2020.
- Grant funds will be used to cover costs and lost revenues associated with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) disaster.
- Grants are subject to the requirements of Single Audit found at 2 CFR §200 Subpart F.
- Where applicable, provider organizations will continue current participation in value-based payment initiatives through 2021.

Program update

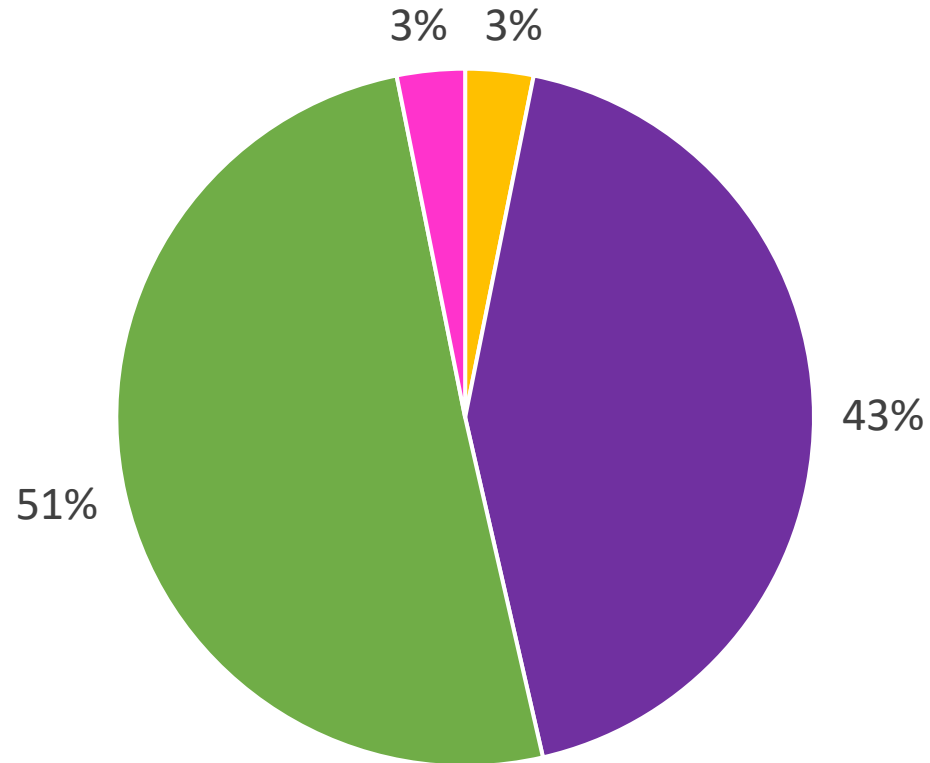
- Application portal developed by Salesforce aligns with other CRF grant programs across Agencies
- Received 352 applications from eligible providers
- 78% were new to AHS relief, 22% received prior relief
- Applications received were from a broad array of providers types – 22.7% dentists – largest group

Cumulative HCS Grant Funding - 09/28/2020 9:00



- Paid to ACCD
- Paid by F&M and/or AHS
- Approved for Payment, Forwarded for Processing
- Recommended for Payment, Pending Secretary Approval

Application Review Status - 9/28/20 9:00



- 1. Pending Review
- 2. First Review Complete, Ready for Second Review
- 3. Second Review Complete, Flagged for Provider Follow-Up
- 4. Waiting for Provider Info
- 5. Ready for Third Review or QC
- 6. All Reviews Complete

VT State Agreement Scale Warning Notice

Ena Backus, Director of Health Care Reform (AHS)

Commissioner's Update: Budget, Legislative, Enrollment & Federal Updates

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Nissa James, Health Care Director (DVHA)

Addie Strumolo, Deputy Commissioner (DVHA)

Public Comment & Final Committee Discussion

Adjourn

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