

Presentation #5.B.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Considerations for potential administration of a statewide long-term care (LTC) insurance program in California

QUALIFICATIONS, ASSUMPTIONS AND LIMITING CONDITIONS

Oliver Wyman was commissioned by the California Department of Insurance (CDI) to provide support associated with assessing the feasibility of developing and implementing a culturally competent statewide insurance program for long-term care services and supports. The primary audience for this report includes stakeholders from the California Department of Insurance, members of the Long-Term Care Insurance Task Force, and members of the general public within the state of California.

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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR ADMINISTERING A PUBLIC LTC INSURANCE PROGRAM

Identify the key administrative functions needed for a statewide LTC insurance program by understanding existing infrastructure for similar established programs in California and elsewhere



Identify staff and resource needs to meet each of these administrative functions



Determine whether existing infrastructure in California could be expanded upon to handle additional responsibilities associated with an LTC insurance program (i.e., hiring additional team members)



Determine if a new board, department, or agency would need to be established for the administration of the LTC insurance program



Keep in mind that program administrative functions and responsibilities will continue to evolve as additional design elements of California's statewide LTC insurance program are discussed and determined



The expansion of current infrastructure or creation of a new board, department, or agency would require legislation

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS: OVERSIGHT, MANAGEMENT, AND ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS

	Program oversight	Manage care providers	Manage investment and allocation of funds from the Program	Perform actuarial analysis
Description	 Oversee program implementation, administration, and operation Provide recommendations and decisions to maintain benefit adequacy, fund solvency, and sustainability 	 Manage providers, including approving and/or credentialing prospective providers (formal and informal) Enforce different requirements, if any, for formal and informal providers 	 Establish investment policy for funds collected under the program Provide guidance and advice on investment strategies and allowed assets Active management (invest, reinvest, manage, contract, sell, or exchange investment money) by in-house or 	 Provide ongoing actuarial analysis and valuations to assess funded status of program Make recommendations to maintain solvency (e.g., adjust contributions, redesign benefits)
			external money managers • Authorize disbursements	
Relevant data point: Washington Cares Fund ¹	 LTSS Trust Commission, comprised of 17 members, including legislators, agency heads, and various representatives from LTSS industry 	 Department of Social and Health Services 	 Subcommittee established by LTSS Trust Commission Department of Social and Health Services State investment board 	State Actuary
Relevant data point: Medi-Cal ²	Department of Health Care Services	 Department of Health Care Services Medi-Cal managed care plans California Department of Social Services County social service agencies 	State Treasurer's Office	 Department of Health Care Services California Department of Social Services
Existing California departments/agencies with parallel functions for other programs that we can learn from	Department of Health Care ServicesCovered California	Department of Health Care ServicesCovered California	State Controller's OfficeState Treasurer's Office	 California Department of Insurance Department of Managed Health Care

¹ Sources include the October 2021 WA Cares Fund update from the Office of the Insurance Commissioner and Chapter 50B.04 of the Revised Code of Washington, "Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Program"

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ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS: PROCESSING AND TRACKING

	Process revenue	Process exemptions and opt-in requests	Determine vesting status	Track individuals who move in or out of the state
Description	 Process revenue (e.g., payroll tax, income tax, etc.) 	 Process and approve program exemptions (e.g., opt-out requests), if applicable 	Determine vesting status, if applicable	Keep track of address changes for individuals who move into, or out of, the state
	Collect premiums, if applicable	Process and approve program opt-in requests, if applicable		Keep track of divesting status, if applicable
Relevant data point: Washington Cares Fund ¹	Employment Security Department	Employment Security Department	Employment Security Department	Employment Security Department
Relevant data point: Medi-Cal ²	 Department of Health Care Services Federal Medicaid funds Quality assurance fees Beneficiary premiums Franchise Tax Board State General Fund Realignment revenue 	 County social service agencies Process Medi-Cal eligibility applications Process In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program applications Department of Health Care Services and Medi-Cal waiver agencies Process waiver program applications 	 County social service agencies Process Medi-Cal eligibility applications 	County social service agencies – Process beneficiary address changes
Existing California departments/agencies with parallel functions for other programs that we can learn from	 Employment Development Department Franchise Tax Board State Controller's Office 	Department of Health Care ServicesCovered California	Department of Health Care ServicesCovered California	Department of Health Care Services Covered California

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ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS: BENEFITS AND CLAIMS

	Determine benefit eligibility	Process, adjudicate, and pay claims	Track benefit usage	Oversee benefit payment
Description	 Process and approve benefit applications Perform care need assessments Determine benefit eligibility (e.g., confirm individual meets criteria to receive benefits) 	 Approve services eligible for payments Process payments to providers Reimburse expenses paid by (or on behalf of) benefit eligible individuals 	 Track individuals' benefit usage relative to maximum benefits allowable, if applicable 	 Establish and enforce criteria for benefit payments to approved providers Ensure approved services are provided through audits or service verification processes, recoup any inappropriate payments
Relevant data point: Washington Cares Fund ¹	Department of Social and Health Services	Department of Social and Health Services	Health Care Authority	Health Care Authority
Relevant data point: Medi-Cal ²	 Medi-Cal providers and health plans Develop and approve treatment plans and care coordination plans Department of Health Care Services Process Treatment Authorization requests for Medi-Cal fee-for-service 	 Department of Health Care Services Process and adjudicate Medi-Cal feefor-service provider claims Process beneficiary out-of-pocket expense reimbursements Medi-Cal managed care plans Process, adjudicate, and pay managed care provider claims County social service agencies Process and pay IHSS provider claims 	 County social service agencies In-Home Supportive Services Medi-Cal waiver agencies Medi-Cal managed care plans Department of Health Care Services Medi-Cal fee-for-service beneficiaries and benefits 	 Medi-Cal managed care plans Department of Health Care Services Medi-Cal fee-for-service California Department of Social Services and counties In-Home Supportive Services Medi-Cal waiver agencies
Existing California departments/agencies with parallel functions for other programs that we can learn from	Department of Health Care ServicesCovered California	Department of Health Care ServicesCovered California	 Department of Health Care Services Covered California 	Department of Health Care ServicesCovered California

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ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS: SUPPORT AND CUSTOMER SERVICE

	Customer service	General administration	Fraud, waste, and abuse detection	Appeals
Description	 Provide customer service Address questions and complaints from public (e.g., related to premiums, benefits, eligibility, services, etc.) Refer individuals to other appropriate agencies 	 Provide administrative and operational support to the program Track data useful in monitoring and informing the program 	 Identify potential cases of fraud, waste, and abuse Impose sanctions, as appropriate Establish procedures for administrative appeal and criminal prosecution 	 Manage beneficiary grievance and appeals process, related to eligibility and benefit decisions, as well as
Relevant data point: Washington Cares Fund ¹	Department of Social and Health Services	Department of Social and Health Services	Department of Social and Health Services	 Health Care Authority Department of Social and Health Services Employment Security Department
Relevant data point: Medi-Cal ²	 Department of Health Care Services California Department of Social Services County social service agencies Medi-Cal managed care plans Medi-Cal providers Medi-Cal waiver agencies 	 Department of Health Care Services California Department of Social Services County social service agencies Medi-Cal managed care plans Medi-Cal waiver agencies 	Department of Health Care Services	 California Department of Social Services, State Hearings Division Medi-Cal managed care plans Department of Managed Health Care Department of Health Care Services
Existing California departments/agencies with parallel functions for other programs that we can learn from	 Department of Health Care Services Covered California LTC Ombudsman (Department of Aging) 	 Department of Health Care Services Covered California 	 California State Auditor State Controller's Office California Department of Insurance 	 Department of Health Care Services California Department of Social Services

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ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS: COORDINATION AND ACCESSIBILITY

	Coordinate with other programs	Oversee program accessibility	Program roll-out awareness and communication strategy	Coordination with private LTC insurance
Description	Establish rules and procedures for benefit coordination when the eligible beneficiary is also eligible for Medicaid and other long-term services and supports	Oversee care navigation and ensure program benefits are accessible to all eligible individuals	 Develop and execute a communication strategy for the program that can reach all stakeholders, including the broader California population that may be eligible for the program 	• Establish connection with private LIC
Relevant data point: Washington Cares Fund ¹	Health Care Authority	Department of Social and Health Services	Not specified	Not specified
Relevant data point: Medi-Cal ²	 Department of Health Care Services California Department of Social Services 	 Department of Health Care Services and Medi-Cal managed care plans Medi-Cal California Department of Social Services and counties In-Home Supportive Services 	 Department of Health Care Services California Department of Social Services Counties, health plans, and providers Community-Based Organizations 	DHCS through LTC Partnership Program
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