Medicaid Expansion Overview and Timeline

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Virginia’s Medicaid program currently covers only certain populations, and only to specified income levels.

A newly eligible group would include childless adults up to 133% FPL. It would also extend eligibility to elderly & disabled individuals and caretaker parents beyond current income level criteria.
**Overview**

Initial plan can be implemented through a State Plan Amendment and a 1915b waiver for managed care. Will include services provided through the seven currently contracted Medicaid health plans. Will include wraparound services, such as community mental health.

**Private Health Plans**

Utilize 7 existing private health plans/MCOs

**Premiums**

None

**Cost-sharing**

Maintain current cost sharing for Medicaid enrollees

**Enrollment Process**

Eligibility assessed at Federal Facilitated Market Place and transferred to Virginia OR by the new Virginia eligibility process electronically, via phone, by mail/fax, or in person. Plan choice and enrollment in health plan through private enrollment broker.

**Insurance Plan Payment**

Virginia will pay capitated payment (i.e. 100% premium) on behalf of members to the health plans. Health plans at full risk.
CLOSING THE COVERAGE GAP

Program and Operations Design

1/11/2014 - 8/30/2014
Eligibility/Enrollment and Other IT Designs

1/11/2014 - 7/30/2014
State Approval - Regulations

1/11/2014 - 7/1/2014
Rate Setting and Contract

1/11/2014 - 6/30/2014
Federal Approval 1915(b) Waiver

1/11/2014 - 4/30/2014
Benefit Package