

# NC Medicaid Managed Care Member Operations

March 29, 2019

# **Agenda**

- 1. Impacts of Managed Care
- 2. The Advisory Committee
- 3. DSS On-Boarding Results
- 4. Enrollment Broker
- 5. Wrap-Up

# **Understanding MC Impacts to Beneficiaries**



#### What's New

- Beneficiaries will be able to choose their own health care plan
- 2. Most, but not all, people will be in Medicaid Managed Care

## **What's Staying the Same**

- 1. Eligibility rules will stay the same
- Same health services/treatments/supplies will be covered



- 3. The beneficiary Medicaid Co-Pays, if any, will stay the same
- 4. Beneficiaries report changes to local DSS

# **What Managed Care Means to DSS Workers**



#### **County DSS will CONTINUE:**

- Processing Medicaid applications, changes of circumstance, and redeterminations.
- Generating Replacement cards for FFS
- NEMT for FFS Beneficiaries
- Updating PCP for FFS Beneficiaries



#### County DSS will not be responsible for:

- Choice Counseling
- Enrolling Members in Plans
- NEMT for Managed Care Plan Members
- Updating Plan/PCP for Managed Care Plan Members
- Generating Replacement cards for Managed Care Plan Members



#### **County DSS will START:**

- Referring beneficiaries to the Enrollment Broker for Plan counseling & assignments.
- Referring beneficiaries to their Plan for PCP selection/changes and NEMT

## **New Non-Verifiable & Returned Mail Process**

#### **Purpose:**

 To develop a more coordinated and improved process for mail that could not be delivered to a beneficiary (returned/non-verified mail)

#### Why did we do it?

- Increased number of entities corresponding with the beneficiaries
- Mail is the State's primary method of communicating with beneficiaries
- Reaching Beneficiaries at a more efficient rate
- Addresses are updated more timely

#### Who are the key players in this process?

- PHP/PLE/EB play a vital role
- Local DSS Offices
- NC FAST
- Medicaid Eligibility Services

## **Returned Mail Process – EB and PHP**

# Multiple mailings will be sent at Managed Care activation

- Eligibility Notices sent from NC FAST
- Enrollment Notices sent from the Enrollment Broker
  - Returned Mail is sent back to EB
- Plan handbook, info and Medicaid/Plan Card PHP/PLE
  - Returned Mail back to PHP/PLE

#### **Returned Mail Process**





DHB combines and removes duplicates on file



Report posted to FAST Help for counties to work

## **Medicaid Cards**

- Once a beneficiary is enrolled in Managed Care, they will only need 1 Medicaid Card.
  - The Plans will use the same Medicaid ID number as FFS and must include carved out services on the back of the card.
- Members should call the Plans for replacement cards, at no cost.

#### **Medicaid Card for Managed Care**

- Includes the beneficiary's Plan information on it
- Includes the Medicaid ID (CNDS)
- May also have a member number

#### **Medicaid Card for FFS**

Includes the Medicaid ID (CNDS)

Note: Samples of the Medicaid Cards for Managed Care will be shared with the local DSS

# **Advisory Committee Purpose**

Please reference your packets for The Advisory Committee contact information and roles & responsibilities.

Provide Input and Guidance to the State on Medicaid Transformation

**Guide Outreach and Education efforts & Provide Feedback for Continuous Improvement** 

Collaboration Efforts: Enrollment Broker, PHP/PLE, State

Assist in the Development of Needs Assessment Surveys for Direct Line Workers

# **DSS On-Boarding Summary**

#### 3 DSS On-Boarding Sessions

- Central, Eastern, Western
- Over 300 attendees; includes Directors, Program Managers, Supervisors, and line workers

#### **Areas of Concern:**

- NEMT
- Continued Customer Service/Transition of Care
- Being informed of directing clients to the correct entities
- How to work with the Enrollment Broker; how this will impact day-to-day beneficiary interactions

#### **Approach Moving Forward:**

- Monthly DSS Webinars to start in April
- Cross Functional Trainings (2 per region)

# **DSS On-Boarding Discussion Group Topics**

#### **Increased Beneficiary Contact**

- Educate early start informing the public now of upcoming changes
- Utilize outpost stations
- Ensure contact information is updated at every interaction!

#### **Increase Awareness in Agency**

- All Staff meetings to discuss what is coming
- Toolkits for workers
- Post on County DSS website
- Meetings with County partners

#### **Working New Reports**

- Identify staff in advance that will work these reports
- State to supply numbers of individuals that would move to Managed Care to help counties prepare

#### **Staffing Issues**

- Repurpose NEMT staff & create triage team to help clients
- Hire temp staff to assist incoming traffic during the transition period
- Upgrade clerical staff to IMC1

#### Participate in Outreach Events

- Coordinate with EB to plan enrollment events at agency
- County-wide collaboration meetings
- Social Media
- Phone tree or robo calls to inform community

#### **Ensuring Warm Hand-Offs**

- Set up kiosks and phones in lobby areas
- Set up phone line with recorded message for clients
- Knowledge is power make sure workers know who to contact & when

# **Readiness Key Focus Areas**

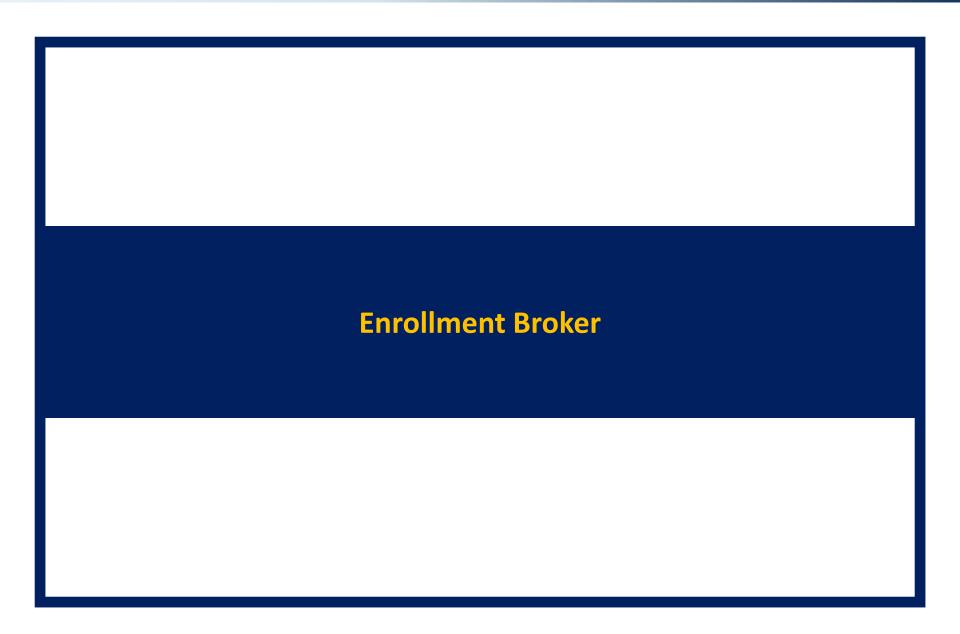
- Post-eligibility determination workflow
  - Information exchange between systems
  - Enrollment and Auto Assignment
  - Notices

#### Customer Care

- Quality of service provided by the plans/providers
- "No wrong door"
- Information to be shared in a face to face interview
- Lessons learned from previous states (EB and PHP Perspective)

#### NEMT

- What this looks like under Managed Care
- Reports to indicate how many beneficiaries will remain FFS and how many will switch to Managed Care
- Specific scenarios, e.g. Mom is FFS and child is Managed Care and they both have appts at the same provider on the same day
- Address & Other Changes in Circumstance
  - Details on returned mail from mass mailings to beneficiaries
  - Focus on maintaining up-to-date information
  - Process flow for changes reported to PHPs, EB and how that funnels to DSS



# **Today's Discussion**

- What is an Enrollment Broker (EB)?
  - CMS definition and requirements
- NC EB services
  - Choice counseling
  - Enrollment assistance
  - Outreach and education
- NC EB process flow
- Measurements for success



#### **GOAL:**

Help stakeholders understand the enrollment broker function and what makes a successful program.

## **Enrollment Broker Defined**

- An enrollment broker is an individual or entity that performs choice counseling or enrollment activities, or both.
- Enrollment activities include:
  - Distributing, collecting, and processing enrollment materials
  - Taking enrollments by phone or through electronic methods of communication
- Eligibility services are completed by the state, not by an enrollment broker.

#### Source:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Code of Federal Regulations 42 CFR § 438.810 - Expenditures for enrollment broker services



# **Independent and Conflict Free**

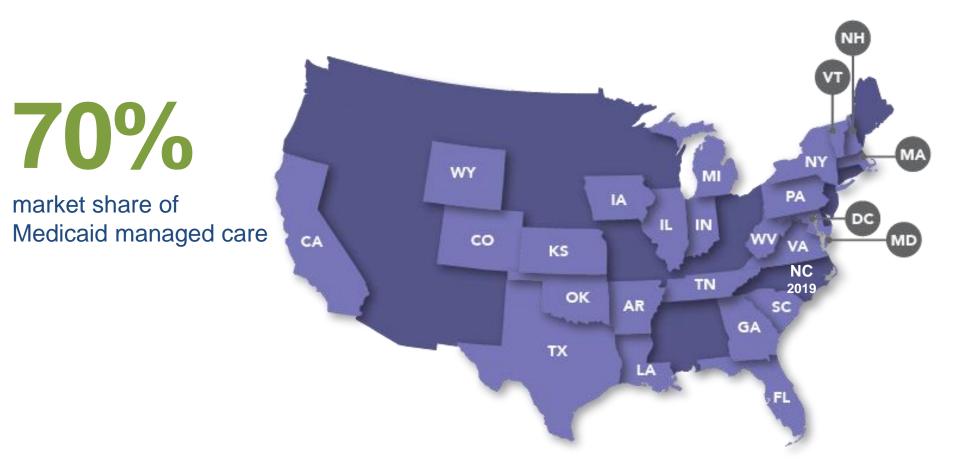
 Enrollment brokers and subcontractors must not have direct or indirect financial ties to any health plan or healthcare provider that furnishes services in the same state where the enrollment broker work is performed.

- CFR 42 § 438.810

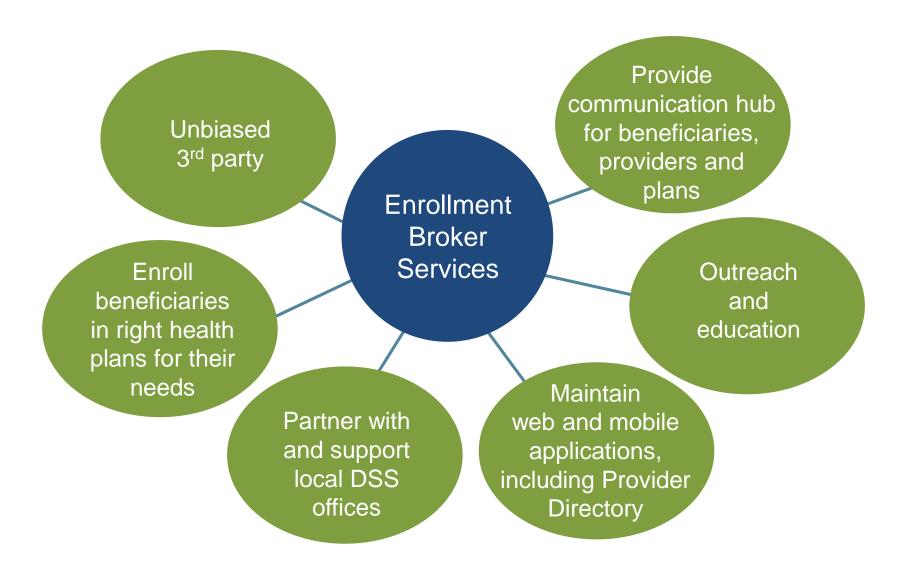


Unbiased enrollment broker services can ensure program integrity while helping beneficiaries select the best health coverage for them and their family.

# **Largest Medicaid Administrative Services Provider**



## **Enrollment Broker Services in North Carolina**



# **Choice Counseling**

- Delivering information and assistance effectively to consumers
  - Provide unbiased, culturally competent choice counseling services to beneficiaries
  - Simplify the application and enrollment process so it's easy for consumers to understand, and satisfy program requirements
  - Achieve improved voluntary choice rates for better health outcomes



Trained customer service team



Responsive and empathetic



6th grade level of health literacy

# **Focus on Health Literacy**

- Making a real connection with those we serve
  - Understand underserved populations better than anyone
  - Speak their language (multi-language support and translation services)
  - Provide user-friendly, culturally appropriate support
  - Perform usability and community testing
  - Nationally recognized for work in health literacy



## **Enrollment Assistance**

- Streamlining the decision making and enrollment process
  - Communicate with consumers on their preferred channels –
    whether by web, phone, email, text and mobile app
  - Proactively engage beneficiaries at critical points to ensure they enroll as necessary







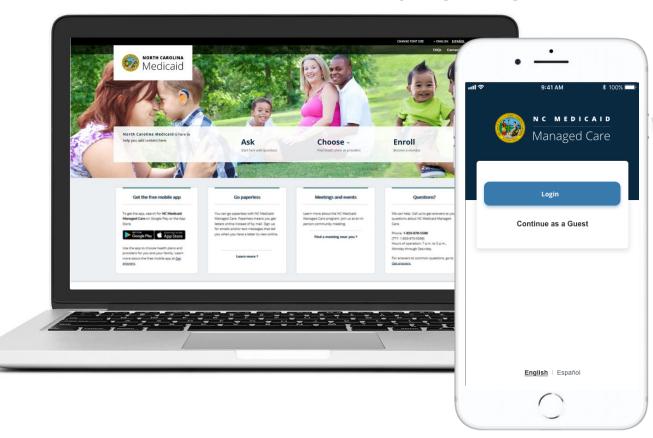
## **Multichannel Enrollment**

- Supporting consumers' changing expectations
  - Provide empathetic personal help for those who need it
  - Make it easier to take action (web, mobile, IVR, phone)
  - Offer self-service and mobile usage options aligned with consumer preferences



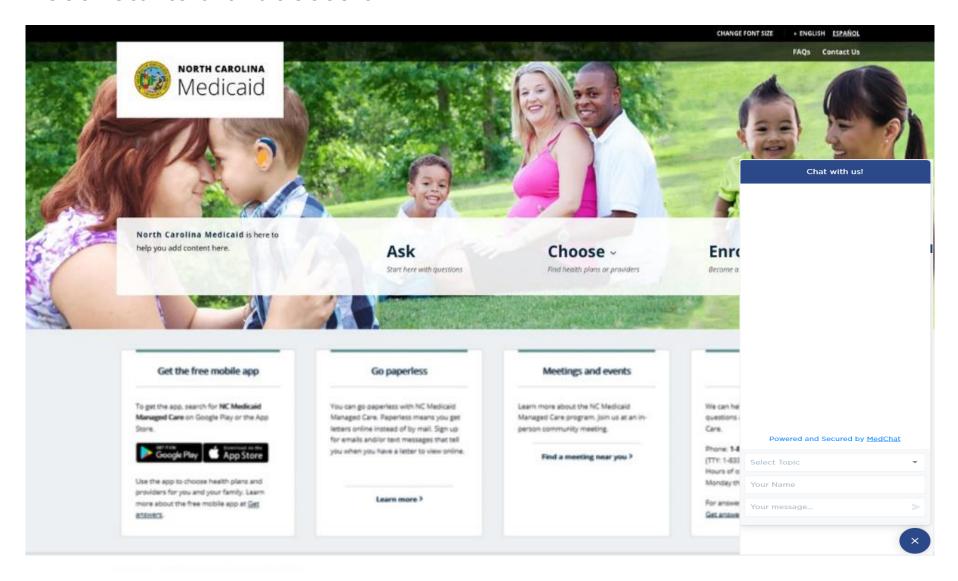
# **Digital Solutions and Analytics**

- Gaining a window into consumer/member engagement
  - Simplify the application and enrollment process for consumers, while satisfying program requirements

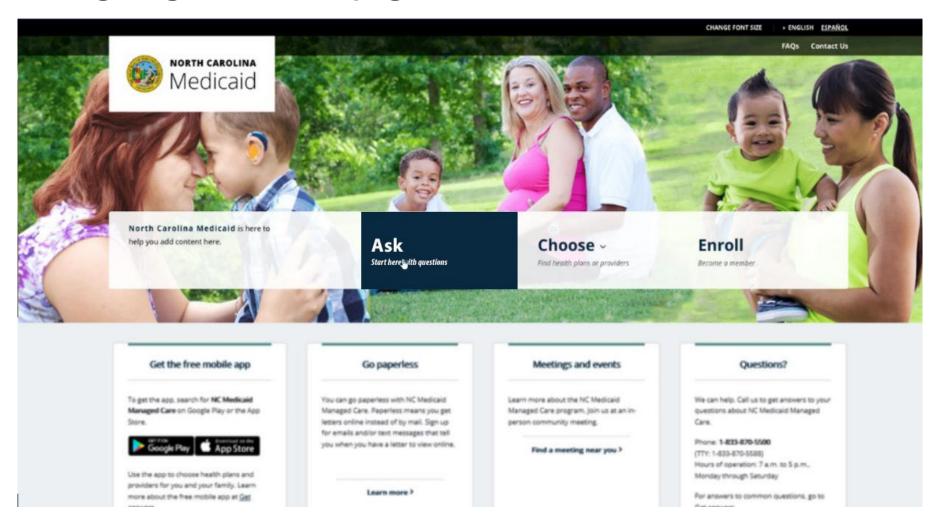


- Enrollments by channel
- Mobile enrollments
- Mobile sessions
- Weekly app updates
- Member views/ updates of case information

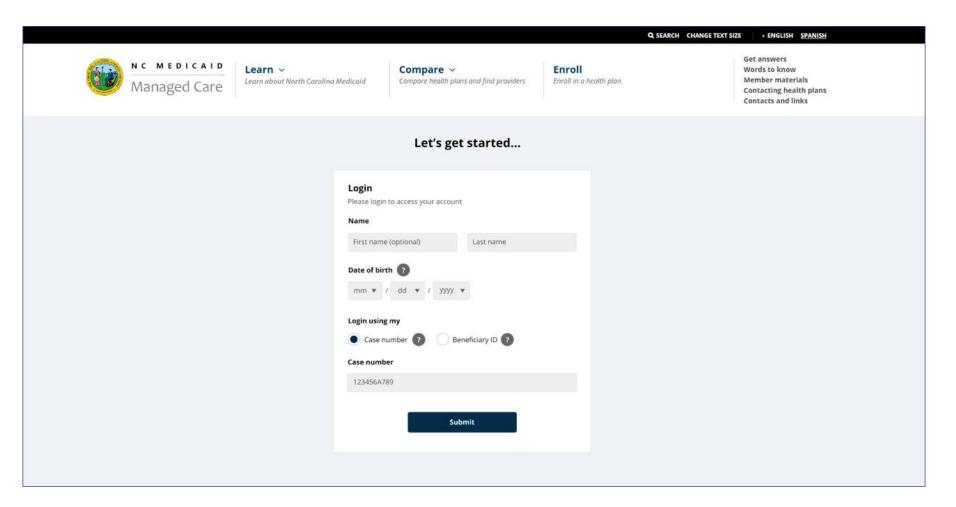
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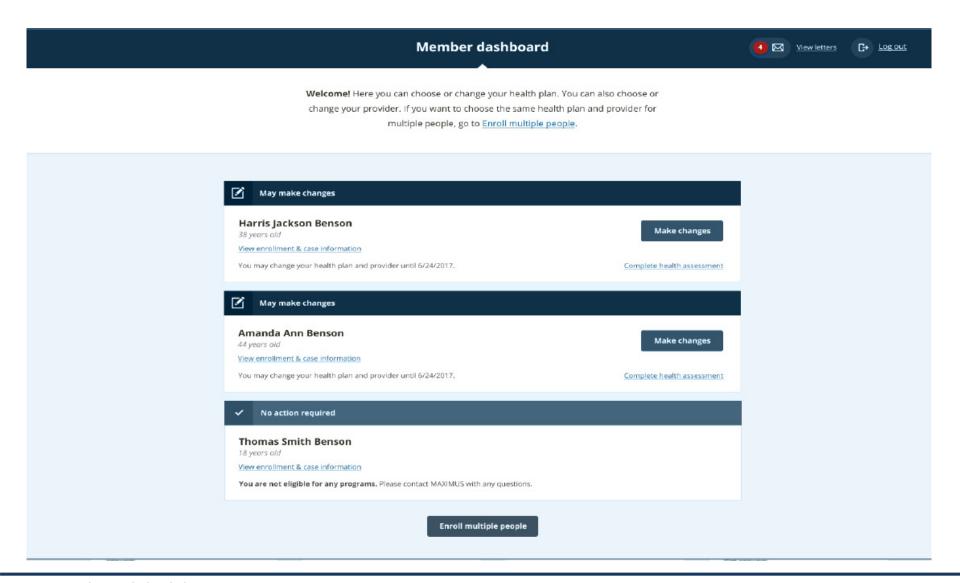
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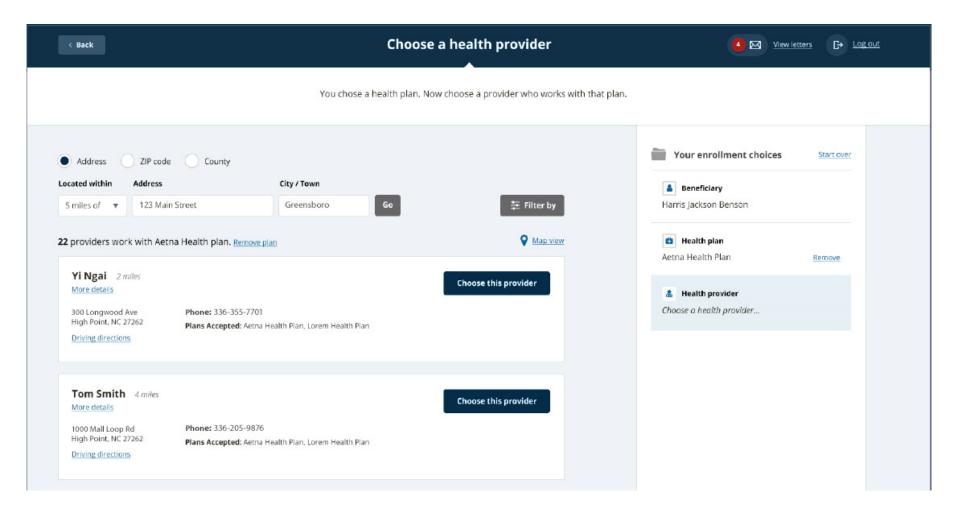
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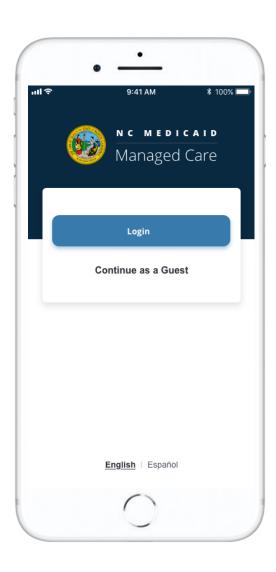
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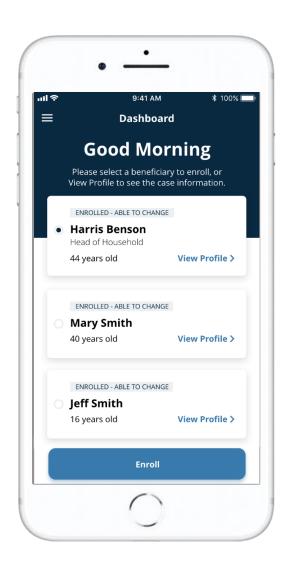
Review results & choose a provider – List view



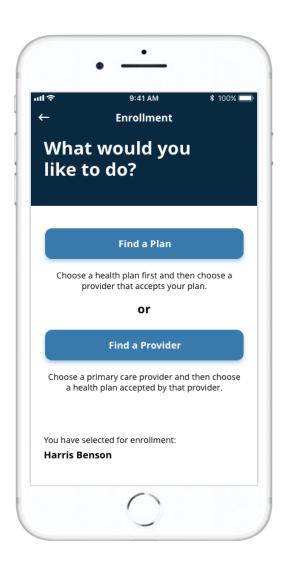
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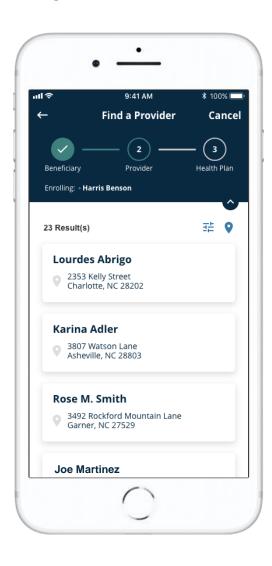
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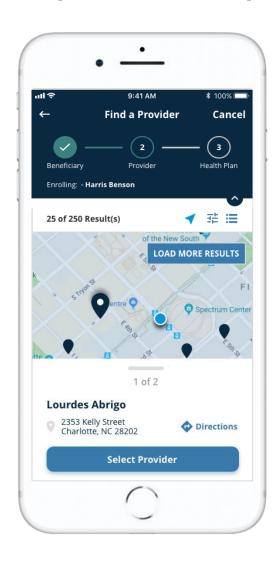
Choose a plan



• Review results & choose a provider – List view



Review results & choose a provider – Map view



## **Outreach and Education**

- Ensuring a seamless and streamlined beneficiary experience
  - Partner with North Carolina's county DSS offices and community organizations to provide managed care training
  - Provide member materials that are understandable and accessible
  - Conduct outreach services that meet consumer's cultural and behavioral expectations

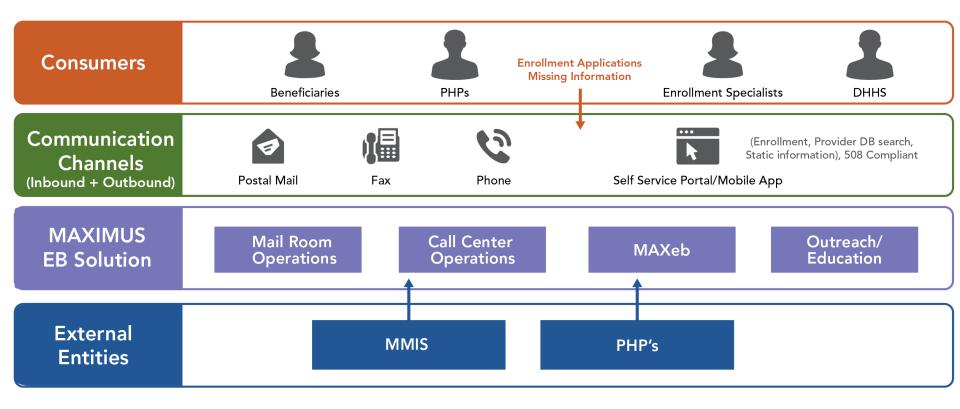






**Training** 

## **NC Enrollment Broker - Process Flow**



# **How Can You Measure Program Success?**

- Consumer satisfaction scores
  - Based on Automated customer satisfaction surveys we administer on our enrollment broker projects
- Contact center data
  - Reported average speed to answer and abandonment rates
- Notices and correspondence
  - Outbound mail communications to consumers
- Voluntary plan selection rates
  - Represents the percent of population who actively select their health plan vs. being auto-assigned into a plan

# **Enrollment Broker FAQs**

Soft Launch June 28, 2019

Open Enrollment July 15, 2019

- Enrollment Broker Call Center
  - Located in Morrisville, NC
  - Hours of Operations: Monday to Saturday 7:00am to
    5:00pm, extended hours during open enrollment Monday to
    Sunday 7:00am to 8:00pm

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# **Coming Soon**

