

**IT INVESTMENT CAPITAL FUND
PROJECT STATUS REPORT**

To: Information Technology Strategy and Investment Committee
John Vittner, Office of Policy & Management

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AGENCY/PROJECT NAME: DSS / HIX-IE

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REPORTING PERIOD: Project Inception through 6/30/2015

Total Funds Requested: \$18,776,611

Bond Commission Approval(s):	Date: Feb. 2013	Amount: \$ 1,563,055
	Date: Jan. 2014	Amount: \$ 5,316,356
	Date: July 2014	Amount: \$ 5,400,000
	Date: July 2014	Amount: \$500,000 transferred from ConneCT
	Date: Jan 2015	Amount: \$ 2,745,683

Accumulative Total Capital Fund Expenditures to Date: \$11,416,995

Brief Project Description/Summary:

The Department of Social Services Integrated Eligibility System project will replace the Department's existing 24 year old Eligibility Management System (EMS). The integrated eligibility platform, once designed, developed and implemented, will provide a seamless eligibility and enrollment process for Medicaid, CHIP and the CTHIX, and will ultimately be used to determine eligibility for other social service programs (e.g., SNAP, TFA). Specifically, the planned integrated eligibility function will initially address federal requirements for eligibility determinations for advance premium tax credits and reduced cost sharing through the Exchange, MAGI-based eligibility for Medicaid, complete individual responsibility exemption determinations, and coordinate enrollment. This project was divided into Tiers. Tier 1 was standing up the Access Health CT client and worker portals to handle eligibility and enrollment for MAGI Medicaid, MAGI CHIP, QHP, and APTC. Tiers 2 and 3 are directly related to replacing DSS' legacy eligibility system known as EMS. Tier 4 is to utilize the existing infrastructure and platforms built in Tiers 1-3 to extend towards the other CT HHS agencies to achieve enterprise integration.

Summary of Progress Achieved to Date:

DSS, BEST and Access Health CT have been working with the Systems Integrator, Deloitte, to continue Tier 1 deployments insuring that the full designed functionality is achieved. There have been a number of deployments throughout the year to reach this goal including a January 30, 2015 release to address Bulk Services, 90 Day Termination and a variety of warranty fixes including 10 high priority DSS/CMS requirements. For Tier 2 and Tier 3, business system design and technical system design has been completed and all but a few deliverables have been finalized and approved. Conversion Design is still in progress. The Interim Systems Security Plan (SSP) has been submitted to CMS to allow for the use of production data in conversion environments. The Final SSP and Security Design Plan for CMS is in progress. For Tier 4, business requirements definition have been completed. Since the federal cost allocation exception has been extended

providing for additional time, the Department has been more fully evaluating the project timeline and scope in anticipation of possible adjustments to both.

Issues and Risks:

Tier 1 Risk - Coordinating future deployments with the Tier 2 and 3 build

Tier 2 and 3 Risk – Required CMS and IRS approvals impacting schedule for availability of conversion extracts with Production data

Next Steps & Project Milestones:

Continue with outlined Tier 1 deployments and prepare for next Open Enrollment as well as integration with ImpaCT system.

Continue to track Tiers 2 and 3 to the current Project Plan – at the same time, given the A87 Cost Allocation extension and the permanency of the 90/10 Eligibility and Enrollment FFP, DSS has requested that Deloitte consider a project re-baseline as well as the addition of the following scope: Enterprise Master Person Index (EMPI), Asset Verification System (AVS) and a more robust AHCT/ImpaCT integration.