

**Implementation, Start-up, and Transition:
Issues & Considerations
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- Transition design and priorities
 - Priorities will drive the design:
 - Does design maximize federal dollars or minimize state costs?
 - Does design reduce stress on the economy, businesses, and/or Vermonters?
 - Are there other considerations in mind driving the priorities?

- Timing of revenue
 - Collections issues - when can it go in place, how and when is it paid?
 - Impact issues - how will it impact taxed entities? Are there incremental timing choices which could ease impact of change?
 - System issues - Are there issues of reporting, collection and processing that need to be identified?
 - Reserves – if money for reserves are to be raised, when and how to raise money.

- Claims run-out / Tail
 - Concurrent with Green Mountain Care’s start there will still be claims that were incurred but not yet paid.
 - Claims tails can last six months.

- Infrastructure / build-out
 - IT, organizational planning, other
 - The eligibility system which is important for GMC will be put out to bid in the near future and could take 18 months to 2 years to construct. How do this and other systems schedules impact start up?
 - Infrastructure costs and timing can be influenced by the level of third party involvement and administration (TPA)

- Other timing issues
 - Coverage- Do you stagger coverage of certain types of services or populations to save costs or ease transition issues?
 - Workforce – What are the workforce considerations? Do you need to transition based on workforce availability?

- Federal Waiver - Does timing of submission, negotiation and approval by feds impact transition?
- Organization – How much reorganization has to happen within the state and state agencies?
- GMCB – Act 48 review (“preconditions”)
 - Timing of when GMCB review begins and finishes
 - GMC to start 90 days after conditions met
 - What happens if GMCB determines conditions as prescribed in Act 48 are not met?