



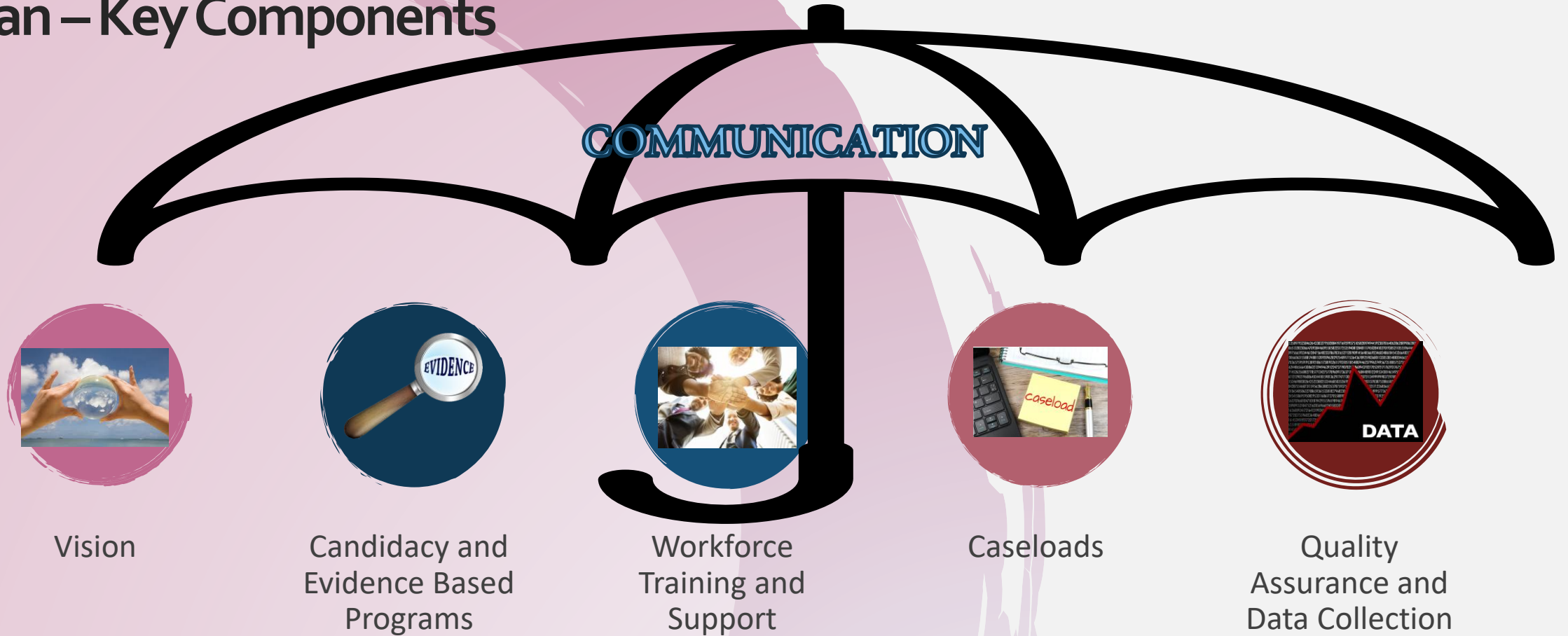
**VT FAMILY FIRST  
– QUALITY  
PREVENTION  
AND  
INTERVENTION**



# Today's Discussion Topics

1. Prevention Plan – in its final review process, on target to be submitted Oct 1
2. QRTP Requirements
  - a. 30-day Independent Assessment
  - b. Program Requirements

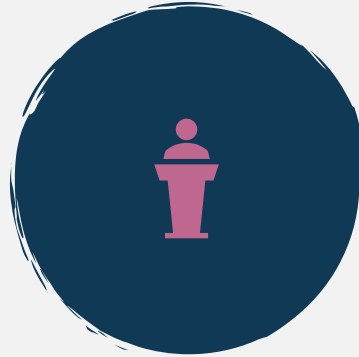
# The Plan – Key Components





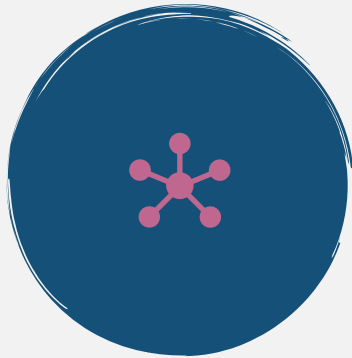
### Workgroup Transformation

The current Prevention Workgroup will shift into a Prevention Implementation Workgroup



### Core Team

Will continue to provide decision making and oversight for all pieces of Family First



### Workforce Development

This will also shift into high gear to plan for ensuring that our workforce has the tools they need to meet the needs of families effectively



### Intentional Communication Planning

Shifting into high gear to assure that we can better define roles and resources

# Next Steps

As our plan is being reviewed by the Children's Bureau, we will be building our Implementation Infrastructure.



# QRTP – Assessment and Programming

VT is committed to providing  
high quality care to those  
needing that level



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# WHY DO WE NEED AN INDEPENDENT 30-DAY ASSESSMENT?

# Independent Assessment Process



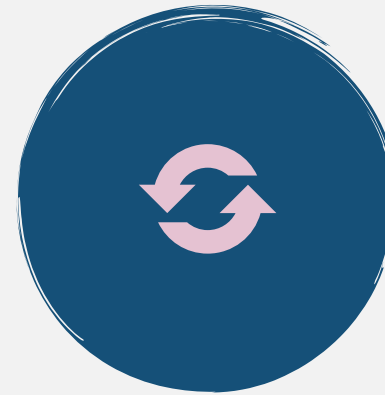
## Research

Request for Proposal  
went out



## Finance

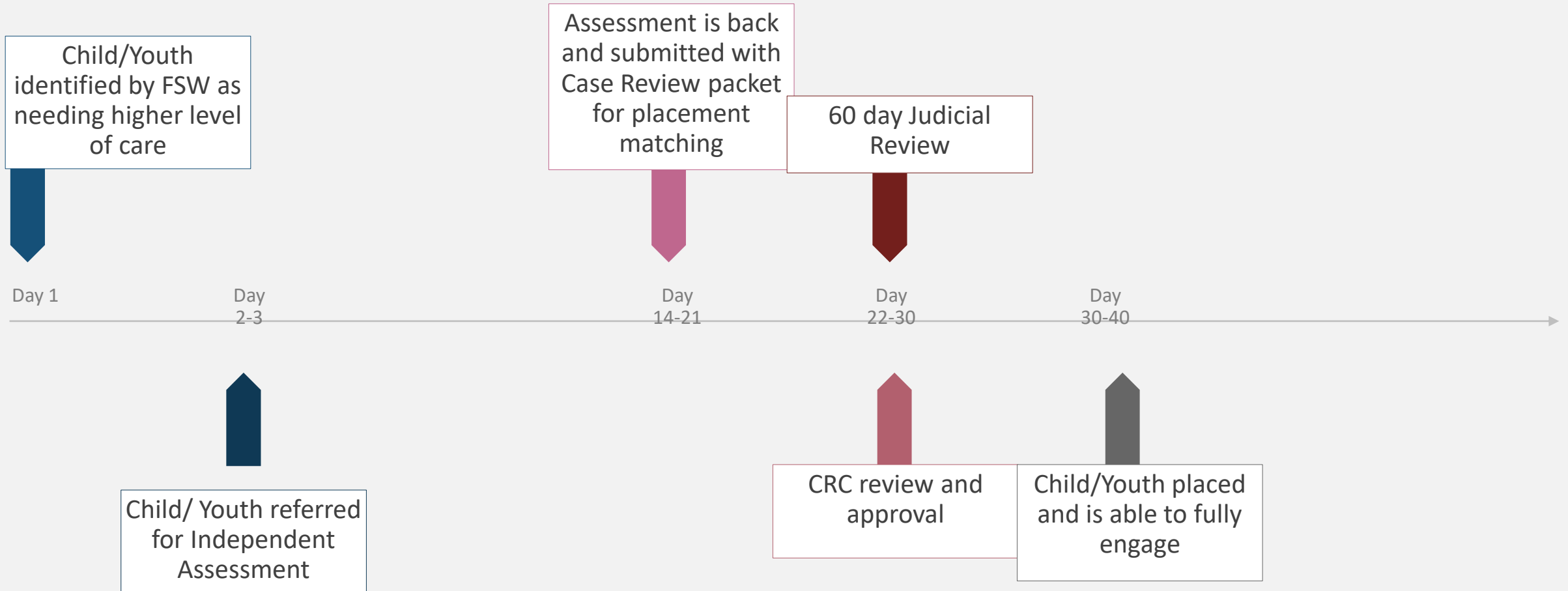
Successful Bidder  
named



## Invest

Contract being  
executed for close to  
10/1/21 start date

# Timeline for Assessment Process related to Placement – Best practice





# Qualified Residential Treatment Programs and carve outs

Commitment statements:

DCF is focused on providing high quality, trauma informed, specialized residential care in VT

DCF values its in-state programs and their commitment to the treatment of our most vulnerable population

DCF would support a continuum of care within its State which would be able to serve a majority if not all of its children/youth in need, without having to extend beyond its borders

## Transparency

- All Residential Programs were made aware of the requirements under Family First



## Assessment

- All Residential Programs were assessed for their readiness in meeting the QRTP standards AND any financial restraints
- DCF also recognizes that this is an ongoing work in progress as pieces of the requirements get further defined



## Support

- DCF will be working with ALL programs individually to figure out how to braid those into our overall system of care both through the QRTP system or by serving a carve out population



- VT DCF has always been committed to preserving the safety of our most vulnerable population – our children
- Family First allows VT to re-examine our system, focusing on best practice, and make some additional changes as needed
- We are very excited about this moving forward and the possible additional funding coming to VT for Prevention Services

# Summary

Family First and its elements are an additional driving force for VT

# THANK YOU

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