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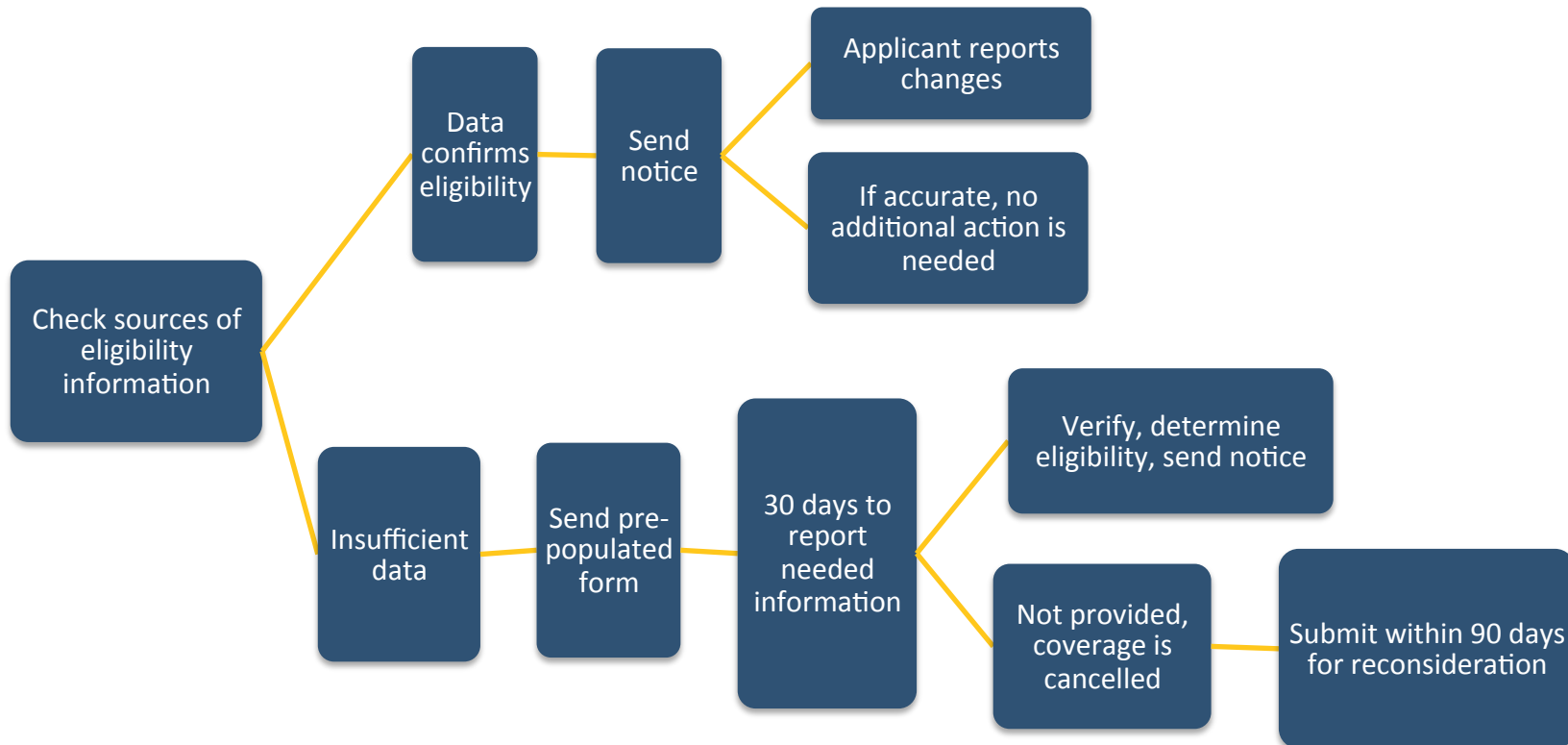


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Seamlessness Isn't Easy: Alignment, Renewals and Coordination



MAGI Renewal Process for Medicaid/CHIP*



Why will the first MAGI-based renewal be more involved?

- First time collecting MAGI information
- Add newly eligible household members
- System readiness

New Information States Must Collect

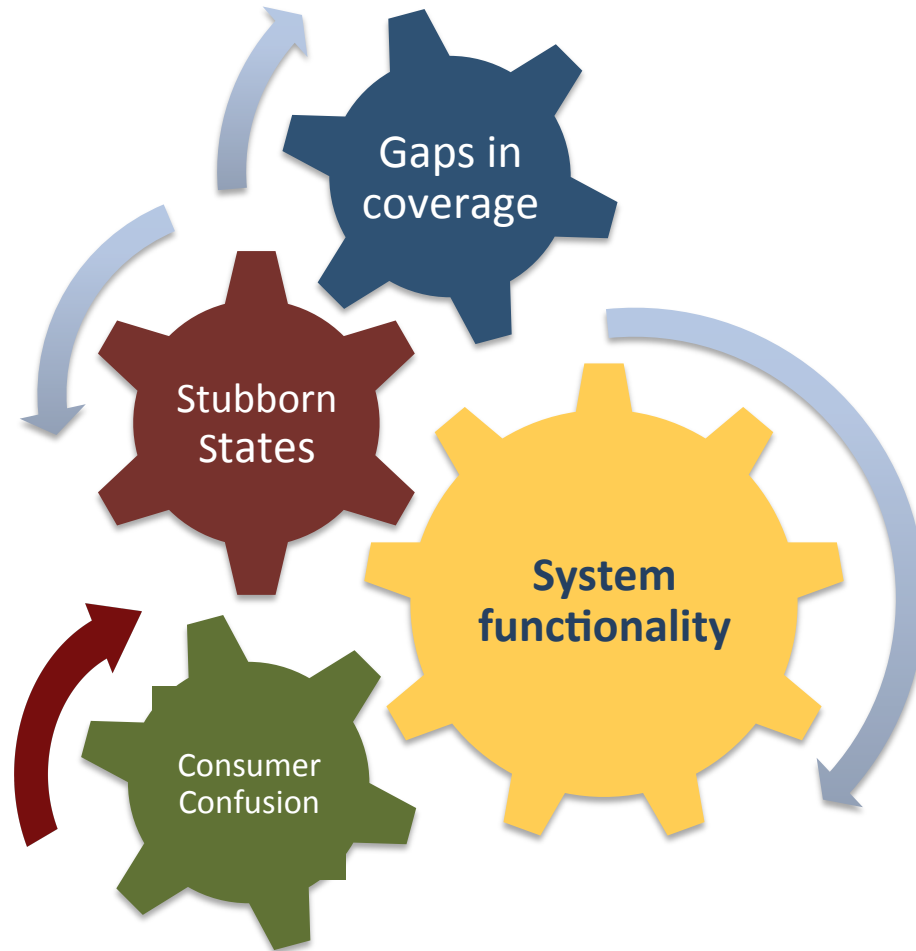
- Tax related information:
 - Filing taxes?
 - Tax Dependent?
- Number of babies expected if pregnant
- Former foster care child status
- Income information:
 - Align current questions with MAGI-rules
 - Add income deduction questions
- Offer of employer-sponsored insurance

<http://ccf.georgetown.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Renewing-Medicaid-and-CHIP-Under-the-ACA.pdf>

Seamless? Coordination Along the Continuum of Coverage



Coordination Challenges



Fulfilling the ACA's Promise of Pediatric Services

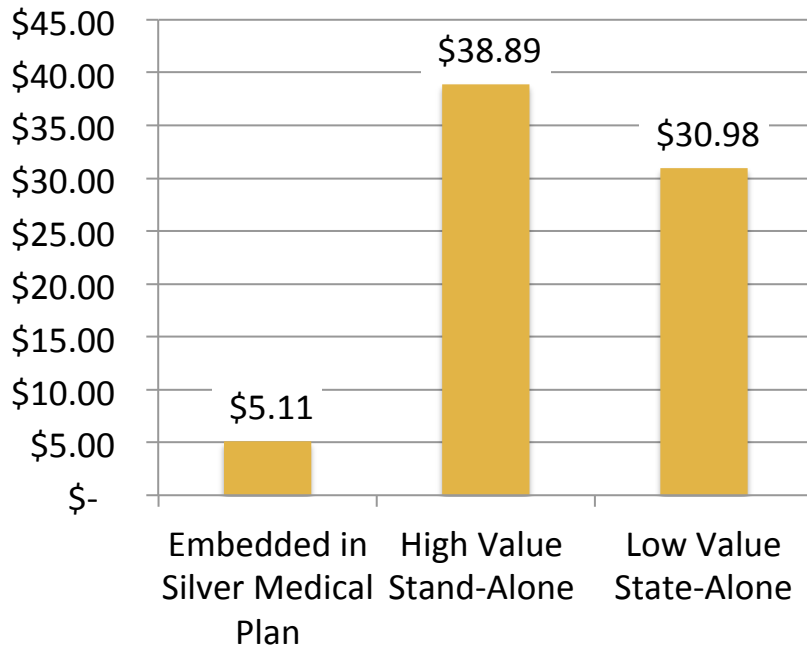


Missing the Mark: Standalone vs. Embedded Dental Benefits

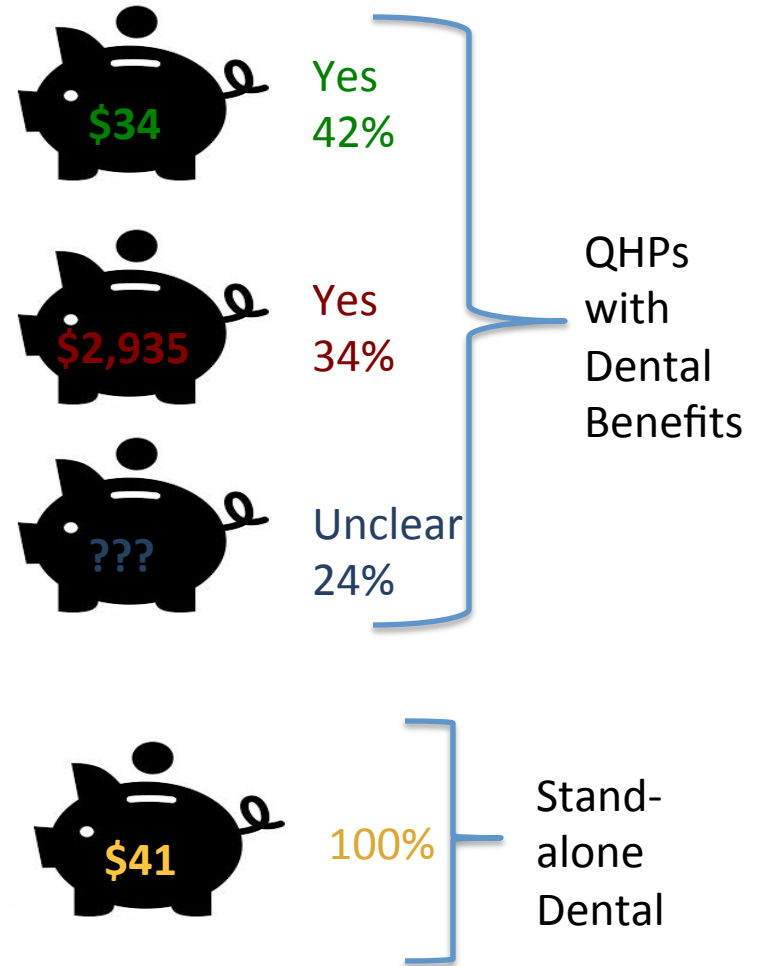
- Less than one-third of QHPs have embedded dental
- Standalone dental premiums and cost-sharing are NOT factored into PTCs, CSRs and OOP maximums
- Consumer information is sorely lacking, particularly in many SBM states and for embedded plans
- Not required to purchase, families may forego



Average monthly premium cost of embedded vs. standalone dental benefits



Dental Deductibles



Habilitative services: what are they, how are they determined?

- Services that help a person keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living*
- If EHB benchmark plan does not include habilitative:
 - State may determine what services are covered
 - Otherwise in FFM states, issuers have flexibility but benefits must be on par with rehabilitative services



What do we know about network adequacy?



Network Adequacy

- States have primary responsibility to determine and enforce network adequacy standards
- Unclear how much review/enforcement has occurred
- Federal minimum standard:
 - Services will be accessible “without unreasonable delay”
 - Inclusion of essential community providers

