



# Community Navigation Forum

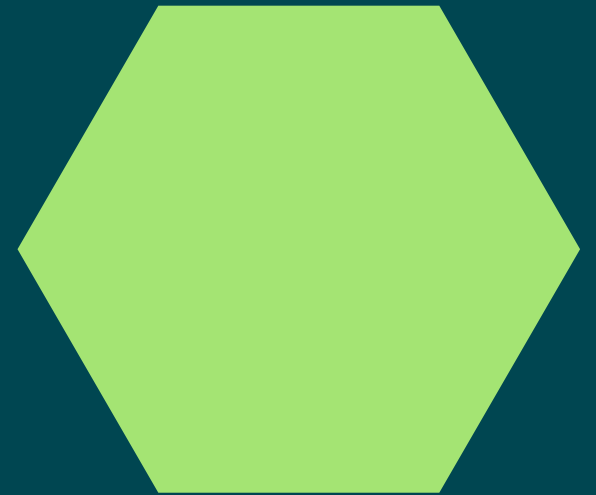
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# Solutions on the Horizon

*Navigating  
Clients to  
Resources*





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# Intro: Needs Identified By Local Nonprofits

- Shared populations: across time, local nonprofits touch many of the same individuals and families
- To serve clients well:
  - Up-to-date resources data/directories (Montgomery County has many resources)
  - Find the right resource for this client (e.g. eligibility, availability, accessibility, appropriateness)
  - Ease the client's application process (remove duplication, literacy and language needs)
  - Navigate client to resource
  - Confirm client's needs were met
  - Reduce duplicative 'touches' for clients (e.g. multiple case managers across various agencies)

To plan strategically within and across nonprofit sectors:

- Recognition that the impact of one nonprofit sector's effort may be measured in another sector
- Common data definitions that make data comparable across agencies and systems
- Shared systems, data exchange protocols or aggregate analytics function

# Audience Solutions

**Q1: Are there any other solutions on the horizon you are currently thinking about or want to see in the future?**

**Q2: Please briefly provide any additional details regarding these solutions.**

Survey: <https://seam.ly/tiyVcLId>



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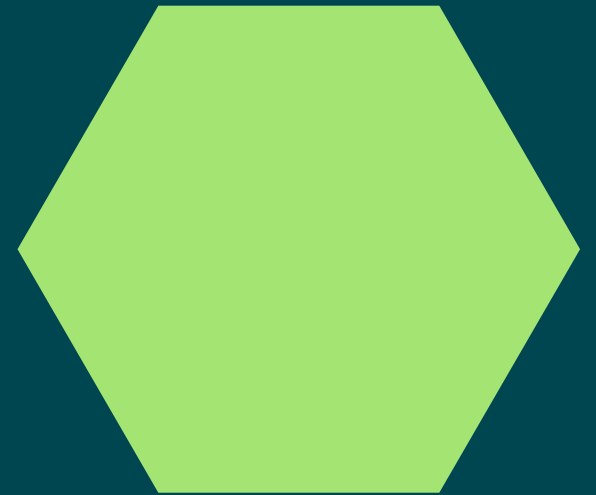
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# Solutions on the Horizon

Community  
Connect  
Portal



# Community Needs and Challenges

Program	Where to apply	Eligibility Requirements	Required Documents
<b>CHP – Dental Programs</b>	Health Care Eligibility Unit Locations (Fenton St., Rockville, Germantown), Clinics	MC Resident, Meet income guidelines. Typically for uninsured residents who are not eligible for Medicaid	Income statements, Proof of ID, Proof of Address
<b>Montgomery Cares</b>			
<b>Maternity Partnership (MPP)</b>			
<b>Care For Kids</b>			
<b>Rental Assistance Program</b>	SEPH Programs, such as Covid Relief, Diversion, etc. that work with existing clients	MC Resident, 18+, Meet income/asset guidelines, Disability in household, At risk of homelessness, Rent limits	Income statements, disability verification, additional expenses, landlord forms, Tax returns.
<b>Working Parents Assistance</b>	DHHS Offices (Calhoun Pl.)	MC Resident, 18+, Meet income guidelines, For children up to 13 y.o., Work/School guidelines	Income statements, Proof of ID, Proof of Address, Birth certificates/IDs for children, Tax returns.



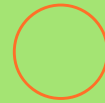
# Transition to a Virtual Platform

## Why Transition to a Virtual Platform?



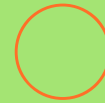
CLIENTS MUST PHYSICALLY WALK-IN OR MAIL/FAX PAPER APPLICATIONS TO RECEIVE BENEFITS

APPLICATION/CASE UPDATES ARE RESTRICTED TO WALK-IN VISITS AND CALLS



CLIENTS SEEKING MULTIPLE BENEFITS/SERVICES MUST VISIT OR CONTACT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

CLIENTS MUST PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION IN-PERSON OR BY MAIL/FAX



APPLICATIONS MUST BE ENTERED MANUALLY INTO THE ENTERPRISE CASE MANAGEMENT PLATFORM (eICM)

# Community Connect Portal



## Consumer Benefits



INCREASED FLEXIBILITY



APPLICATION TRACKING



VIRTUAL DOCUMENT UPLOAD



REPORT CHANGES ONLINE

# Community Connect Portal

- REDUCED APPLICATION INTAKE TIME
- REDUCED FOOT TRAFFIC
- ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT SHARING
- IMPROVED COLLABORATION



Agency  
Benefits

# Community Connect Portal

## Welcome Page and New Application



Department of Health and Human Services

Dashboard

Help

Profile

English

### Community Connect

DHHS - Montgomery County - Maryland

#### Welcome - Nick DiG

Welcome to your personal Community Connect Account Page. You can manage your account, apply for DHHS services, monitor your case status(es), and manage your case activity and more!

#### Instructions:

To start an application please select any of the programs available in the "Create New Application" section. Once an application is created, use the "My Saved Applications" to resume your application. You can start and come back to your application at any time until you submit the application.

To apply to County programs, please make sure to have electronic copies of your documents available. Required documents are listed when you create a new application and are also listed as you work through each program.

It will take about 30 minutes to complete an application.



#### Create New Application



#### Working Parents Assistance

Child Care Assistance for Eligible Families



#### Rental Assistance Program

Rent Assistance for Eligible Households




#### County Health Programs

•Montgomery Cares •Maternity Partnership  
•Care For Kids •Senior Dental


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# Community Connect Portal

## Application Dashboard

 Department of Health and Human Services

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**Community Connect**  
DHHS - Montgomery County Maryland

### Working Parents Assistance Program Application

Application Number: WPA-12May2023-ND-001

Description of Program: ▼

**Required Documents:** Please read and print requirements if you haven't. [Print](#) ▲

Please make sure to have electronic copies of the following documents to complete your application:


- ✓ Proof of your identity, such as a driver's license or identification card
- ✓ Proof of child's identity, such as a birth certificate
- ✓ Proof of Montgomery County residence, such as a utility bill, lease, or mortgage payment
- ✓ Proof of income such as pay stubs and federal income tax forms
- ✓ Proof of parent school enrollment (if currently attending)

The Community Connect portal saves information and documents that you have entered before. That information is shared between applications so you don't need to enter it again unless it has changed.

**STEPS TO COMPLETE THE WORKING PARENTS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION**

<p><b>Step 1</b> MY INFO</p> <p>Status: Completed</p> <div style="width: 100%; height: 10px; background: linear-gradient(to right, #0072bc 100%);"></div> <p>100%</p>	<p><b>Step 2</b> OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS</p> <p>Status: Completed</p> <div style="width: 100%; height: 10px; background: linear-gradient(to right, #0072bc 100%);"></div> <p>100%</p>	<p><b>Step 3</b> CHILD CARE PROVIDER</p> <p>Status: Not Started</p> <div style="width: 100%; height: 10px; background: linear-gradient(to right, #0072bc 0%);"></div>
<p><b>Step 4</b> INCOME/EXPENSE</p> <p>Status: Completed</p> <div style="width: 100%; height: 10px; background: linear-gradient(to right, #0072bc 100%);"></div> <p>100%</p>	<p><b>Step 5</b> AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE</p> <p>Status: Not Started</p> <div style="width: 100%; height: 10px; background: linear-gradient(to right, #0072bc 0%);"></div>	<p><b>Step 6</b> REVIEW AND SUBMIT</p> <p>Status: Not Started</p> <div style="width: 100%; height: 10px; background: linear-gradient(to right, #0072bc 0%);"></div>

**Application Summary**

<p><b>Applicant Name :</b> Nick DIG</p>	<p><b>Created Date :</b> 05-12-2023</p>
<p><b>Application Name :</b> WPA-12May2023-ND-001</p>	<p><b>Last Updated :</b> 05-12-2023</p>
<p><b>Application Status :</b> Drafted</p>	<p><b>Submitted Date :</b> NOT SUBMITTED</p>
<p><b>Application Type :</b> Working Parents Assistance Program Application</p>	<p><b>Action :</b> <span style="color: red; text-decoration: underline;">Delete</span> </p>



**DNO** (Step by Step process, instructions/documents)  
(First application you must fill in completely, any application after that will pull in information already populated. Recerts/Other apps can be as little as 10% remaining info to fill)

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# Community Connect Portal

## Completing Demographics


Department of Health and Human Services

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DHHS - Montgomery County - Maryland

Dashboard Help Profile English

### Step 1 - My Info

General Info (Required) Contact (Required) Address (Required) Identification (Required) Education (Required) Disability (Required) More Info (Required)

 **Tell us about yourself**

Prefix

First Name (Required) Legally as it appears on your ID


Nick

Middle Name

Last Name (Required) Legally as it appears on your ID

DiG

Suffix

Date of Birth (Required)  

What is your country of birth? (Required)



**DNO** (Easy to fill in information)

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# Community Connect Portal

## Recertifications, Interoperability between programs



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### County Health Programs Application (CHP)

Application Name : CHP-16May2023-ND-001

Description of Programs: [v]

Required Documents: *Please read and print requirements if you haven't.* [Print] [^]

Please make sure to have electronic copies of the following documents to complete your application:  
✓ Proof of your identity, such as a driver's license or identification card  
✓ Proof of Montgomery County residence, such as a utility bill, lease, or mortgage payment  
✓ Proof of income such as pay stubs and federal income tax forms  
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#### STEPS TO COMPLETE THE COUNTY HEALTH PROGRAMS APPLICATION

<b>Step 1</b> MY INFO Status: In Progress 90%	<b>Step 2</b> OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS Status: Completed 100%	<b>Step 3</b> INCOME DETAILS Status: Completed 100%
<b>Step 4</b> AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE Status: Not Started	<b>Step 5</b> REVIEW AND E-SIGNATURE Status: Not Started	

#### Application Summary

Applicant Name : Nick DiG	Created Date : 05-16-2023
Application Name : CHP-16May2023-ND-001	Last Updated : 05-16-2023
Application Status : <b>Drafted</b>	Submitted Date : NOT SUBMITTED
Application Type : County Health Programs Application	Action : <a href="#">Delete</a> [x]

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**DNO** Programs communicate with each other, pre-fills common application information)

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# Community Connect Portal

## Application Status and Document Storage

Application Summary

Applicant Name : Nick DiG

Application Name : WPA-12May2023-ND-001

Application Status : Submitted Click to download submitted application pdf.

Application Type : Working Parents Assistance Program Application

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Application Messages

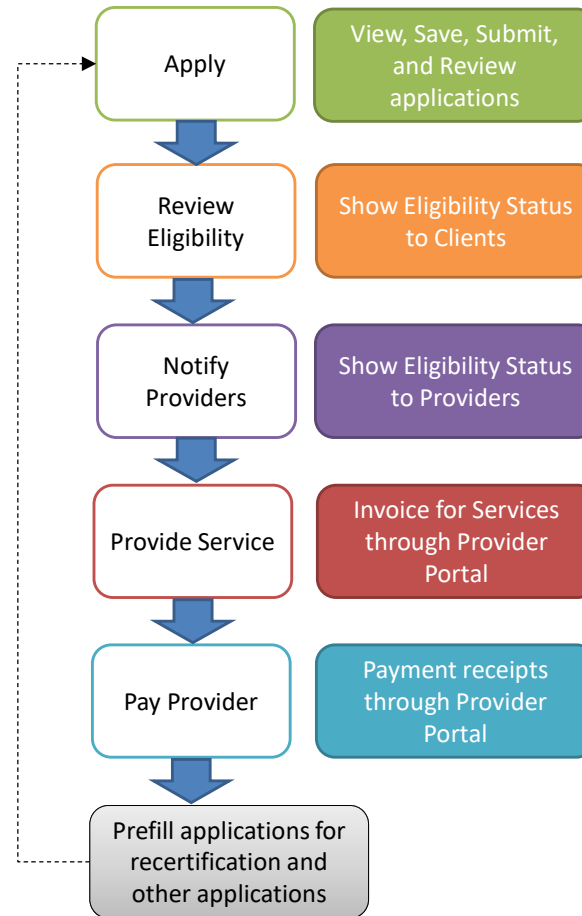
Title	Date
Your application is Drafted	05-12-2023
Your application is Submitted	05-23-2023

<b>APPLICATION FOR THE WORKING PARENTS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (WPA)</b> 7300 Calhoun Place Suite 700 Rockville, Maryland 20855 Montgomery County Maryland				Case ID # : APP0512140109  Worker's Initials :  DEADLINE DATE :		
<b>TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF</b>						
Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Social Security No.			
DiG	Nick					
Street Address.			Mobile #			
Marital Status (single, married, living w/other parent)	Sex (M, F)	Date of Birth	Total Household Size	Email address		
<b>TELL US ABOUT YOUR MATE /SPOUSE LIVING WITH YOU</b>				Have you applied for WPA subsidy before ?		
Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Date of Birth	Mate's Social Security No.		
<b>TELL US ABOUT YOUR ACTIVITY</b>			<b>TELL US ABOUT YOUR MATE'S ACTIVITY</b>			
Employer Name		Employer Name				
Address		Address				
Telephone (333) 333-3333		Telephone				
Hours per week worked		Hours per week worked				
Time Schedule		Time Schedule				
Name of School (IF ATTENDING)		Name of School (IF ATTENDING)				
Education :		Partner's Education :				
Address		Address				
Full Time	Part Time	Current Semester	Full Time	Part Time		
<b>COMPLETE THE INFORMATION FOR ALL OF YOUR CHILDREN (INCLUDE ALL OF YOUR CHILDREN)</b>						
Name of Child	Child's Date of Birth	Sex (M, F)	Child's Social Security Number	Relation to You	Check for Part Time Care	Check for Full Time Care
<b>COMPLETE THE INFORMATION FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S ABSENT PARENT(S) (INCLUDE ALL ABSENT PARENTS)</b>						
Name of the Child	Name of Child's Absent Parent	Absent Parent's Date of Birth	Absent Parent's Social Security	Open Child Support Case or Divorce Decree with Order ? Yes, No		

**DNO** Easy to view submitted application information and see status of applications

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# Process Diagram – Improve Transparency



**Overall process provides transparency to both clients and providers throughout entire service cycle**



# Anticipated Schedule

## Development:

- WPA, CHP, RAP programs currently in late-stage development

## Testing:

- Public Testing aiming for July kick-off

## Release:

- Late 2023 target release date of site to public

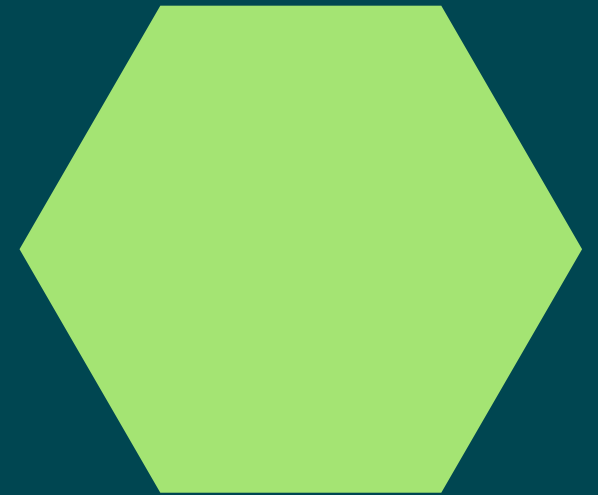
## Next Phases:

- Housing Initiative Program
- Adult Dental Program
- More features, more languages
- Further develop provider portal



# Solutions on the Horizon

UNITE US  
Coordinated  
Care  
Network





# EveryMind



65+ years serving Montgomery County



One of the largest providers of school-based mental health services in Montgomery County



Programs and services for the entire lifespan – from young children to older adults



Community education on mental health and wellness topics including Mental Health First Aid



Expanding our reach across the National Capital and Greater Baltimore Regions

# ServingTogether

ServingTogether.  
Connecting Veterans.

A program of EveryMind.

Affiliated with AmericaServes

**ServingTogether connects veterans, service members, and their families to the resources they have earned across the National Capital and Greater Baltimore Regions – a coordinated care model to connect the right client to the right provider in the least amount of time.**

**ServingTogether is part of AmericaServes – a network of coordination centers operating across the United States**

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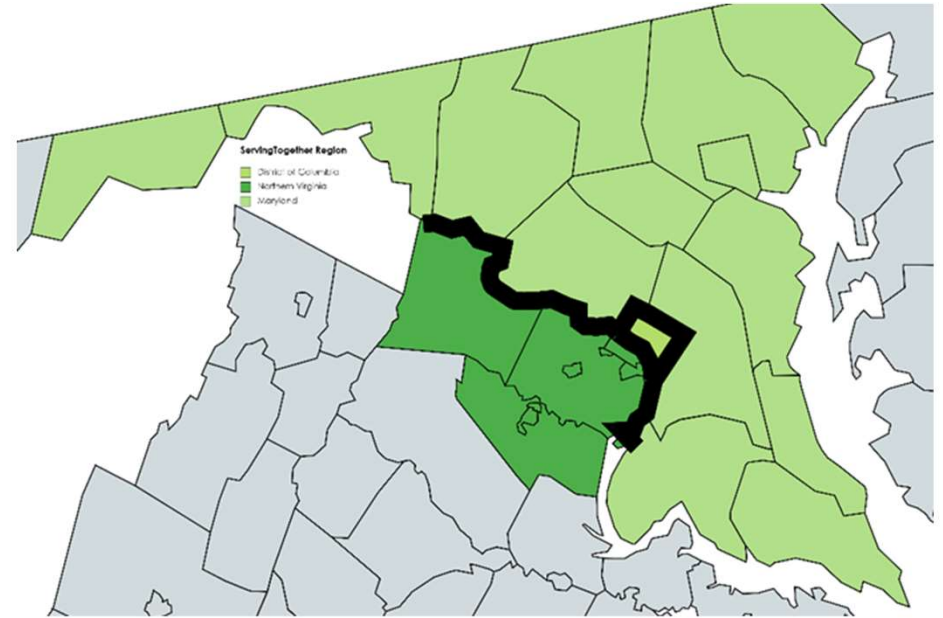
[www.servingtogetherproject.org](http://www.servingtogetherproject.org)

# ServingTogether. Connecting Veterans.

A program of **EveryMind**.

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is live in 23 localities



Founded through  
EveryMind

Launched Peer  
Navigation services

Expanded into  
Northern Virginia

Launched as part  
of AmericaServes  
Network

Expanded into  
Frederick and  
Southern MD

Expanded into  
Central MD

Enhanced suicide  
prevention  
services

With generous support from:



# Who We Serve

Northern Virginia,  
Washington, DC, and 12  
counties in Maryland



## All military & veteran families

- Human-centered, holistic approach through Care Coordination Services
- Access to wider range of organizations serving across regions and communities

## Those who are serving the SMVF community

- Bridging the cultural competency gap
- Community collaboration
- Cultural competency education
- Capacity-building

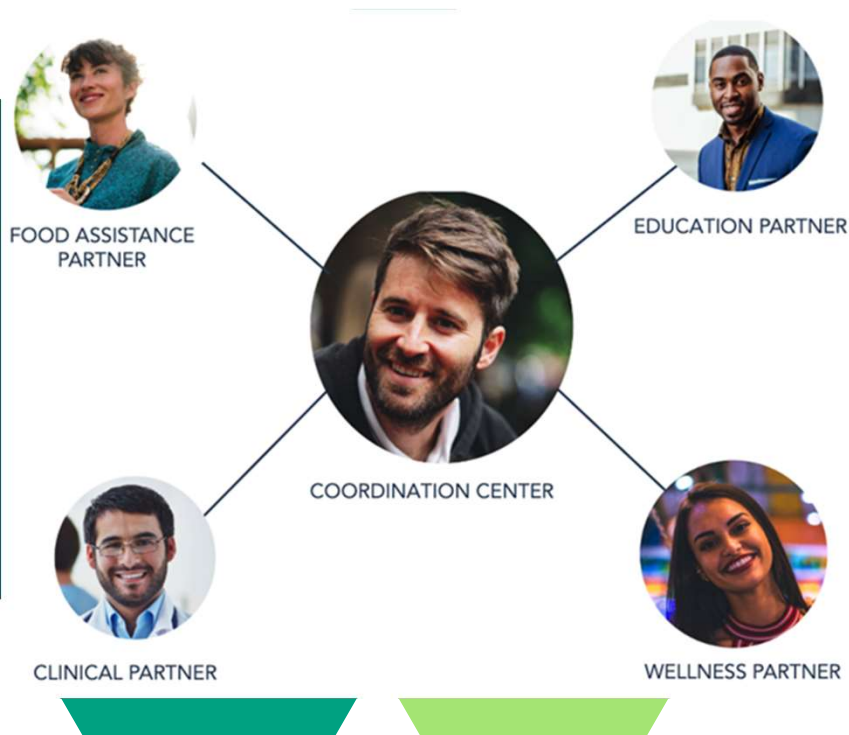
# What is a coordinated care network?

A coordinated care network connects community partners (such as social service organizations, government agencies, and healthcare providers) to deliver integrated whole person care through a shared technology platform to:

- Make electronic referrals
- Securely share client information
- Track outcomes together
- Inform community-wide discussion



# Who is involved?



## Network Partners

- Send and receive referrals and share client updates with the network
- Actively maintain and update their organizational, staff, and program information

## Coordination Center

- Facilitates referrals through the network and follows up with partners on pending referrals
- Engages with network partners to strengthen and deepen relationships

## Unite Us

- Ongoing technology training and support, securely stores network data, and collects software feedback

# How does it work?



# Service Types



Health and human services organizations are available in the network to support a range of service needs for clients

- Benefits Navigation
- Education
- Employment
- Food Assistance
- Housing and Shelter
- Income Support
- Individual & Family Support
- Legal
- Mental/Behavioral Health
- Money Management
- Physical Health
- Social Enrichment
- Spiritual Enrichment
- Sports & Recreation
- Substance Use
- Transportation
- Utilities
- Wellness



# Advantages of Network Referral Capabilities



## Provider to Provider

- Quick ability to send to network partners
- Greater transparency across partners
- Eliminating duplication of services
- Access to wider range of organizations serving across regions and communities
- Secure platform to share safeguarded information

## Care Coordination

- Human-centered, holistic approach uncovering additional needs of clients
- Follow through on sending referrals, closing cases, entering case notes
- Capacity-building for organizations to have a centralized location to send clients with multi-lateral needs

# Network and Organization -Level Data



The goal of the network is to elicit real change through shared data. Unite Us offers:

- Ability to export information on clients, referrals and cases
- Access to Tableau dashboards with real-time data
- Allows opportunity for collective impact through shared measurements for data and results
  - # Referrals
  - Top Service Needs
  - Time to Match
  - Resolution Rates

# Solutions on the Horizon

Q&A

Audience Solutions

Survey: <https://seam.ly/tiyVcLld>

