CalSAWS BenefitsCal (Portal/Mobile) Weekly Status Report

Reporting Period: July 3, 2023 to July 9, 2023

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1.0 Project Management

1.1 Executive Summary

STATUS REPORT SUBSECTION	STATUS AGENDA TOPIC		
July Enhancements	The following M&E items planned for the month of July 2023:		
	Enhancements with Deployment Dependency: Eight (8) enhancements will be delivered with 23.07.27 release.		
	Four (4) Research Items will be concluded with a due date of 07/31/23.		
CalWIN ISS Support	Wave 4		
	 Cut over completed successfully for Wave 4 Counties. 		
	 CBO conversion completed successfully for Wave 4 Counties. 		
	 Total number of CBO users converted: 871 		
	 Total number of Orgs converted: 146 		
	As per the communication plan, Wave-4 Email (4) campaign was launched successfully on 07/03/23.		
	 Total number of emails delivered: 39,784 		
	M&O service management is in progress.		
	 Health Metrics generation is in progress. 		
	Wave 5		
	 Process Simulation Support is in progress. 		
	 Communication campaign plan review is completed. 		
	BenefitsCal Tier-1 helpdesk staff training sessions scheduled, and CIT sent out for county staff participation.		
	 Training dates: 		
	 Alameda + Supported Counties: 07/18/23, 9 am – 11 am PST 		
	 Fresno + Supported Counties: 07/20/23, 9 am – 11 am PST 		
	 Sonoma + Supported Counties: 07/25/23, 9 am – 11 am PST 		
	Wave 6		
	CBO user information extract from MyBCW for Wave 6 Counties to perform Mock Run 1 is complete.		

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STATUS REPORT SUBSECTION	STATUS AGENDA TOPIC
UCD Research Activities	 User Engagement Conducted one (1) usability testing sessions for the Homepage and Announcement design changes on 07/06/23. Planned for discovery research to learn more about the Assister experience for SSA applications. Prepared and sent a customer engagement forecast to CDSS to help create a budget for customer compensation. Enhancements Collaborated with the Design/Functional team to create
Communication	 mockups for August enhancements. Survey results with final Communications and Marketing Campaign
and Marketing	selections were sent to all stakeholders.
Campaign Phase 2	Additional stakeholders have been added (SSP) and a separate email sent from the Consortium to the new group to share the survey and campaign selections; in the future, the SSPs will be included in the stakeholder meetings and communications, and DWP/FWP reviews.
	 Meeting with translation services vendor has been scheduled for 07/11/23.
	Weekly collaboration meeting with BenefitsCal Consortium has been scheduled for 07/13/23 to discuss progress and next steps.
Collaboration Model	Collaboration meeting conducted on 06/23/23 with participation from stakeholders. Survey for enhancement prioritization's been sent out to stakeholders.

Table 1.1-1 – CalSAWS Executive Summary Agenda Topics

1.2 PMO

1.2.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period

> Deliverables and Work Products submitted:

- FWP 26.05: BOM Review and License Renewals on 07/07/23.
- FWP 27.05: Certificate Review on 07/07/23.

1.2.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period

> Deliverable and Work Product submissions for next reporting period:

- o DWP 25.17: Monthly M&O Report June 2023 on 07/11/23.
- FWP 28.15: BenefitsCal Work Plan Monthly Updates June 2023 on 07/10/23.

• FWP 29.15: BenefitsCal Monthly Status Report – June 2023 on 07/10/23.

1.3 BenefitsCal Collaboration Model (CM)

1.3.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period

- > Continued to prepare a roadmap for the CM model prioritized items.
- Identified Collaboration Model priorities as enhancements versus action items to perform additional research.

The table below contains all enhancements prioritized by Collaboration Model and their updates from this week:

ID	Summary	Status	Update this Week
CSPM-64320 (Enhancement)	Collaboration Model: Create a global search bar on BenefitsCal	Analysis In Progress	Analysis & Development in progress
CSPM-64323 (Action Item)	Research for CM Enhancement: Public dashboard of BenefitsCal data	In Progress	Research in progress
CSPM-35858 (Enhancement)	Add an option for Primary Applicant to apply for No Programs	Design Update Needed	Needs clarification from the state (call scheduled for Monday 07/10/23); moved to August release
CSPM-66157 (Enhancement)	Redesign the BenefitsCal announcements	Prioritization Approved	Approved by Consortium; Presented in UCD Monthly meeting; Awaiting Advocate Feedback by 07/12/23
CSPM-66213 (Enhancement)	Redesign the BenefitsCal homepage to create additional points of access for existing and new users	Prioritization Approved	Approved by Consortium; Presented in UCD Monthly meeting; Awaiting Advocate Feedback by 07/12/23

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ID	Summary	Status	Update this Week
CSPM-43163 (Enhancement)	Restrict the user to create multiple Redeterminations and Periodic reports associated with a particular case number	Prioritization Approved	Approved by Consortium; Discussion with CalSAWS on Monday (07/10/23) to get the confirmation if this can be prioritized for August 2023

1.3.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period

Perform design, development, and implementation analysis for enhancements and research action items identified in the Collaboration Model.

The table below contains all enhancements prioritized by CM (not yet delivered to production) and planned activities for the next week.

ID	Summary	Activity for Next Week	Target Delivery Date
CSPM-64320 (Enhancement)	Collaboration Model: Create a global search bar on BenefitsCal	Continue Development	July 2023
CSPM-64323 (Action Item)	Research for CM Enhancement: Public dashboard of BenefitsCal data	Continue Research	June 2023
CSPM-35858 (Enhancement)	Add an option for Primary Applicant to apply for No Programs	Begin Design work after getting clarification from the state	August 2023
CSPM-66157 (Enhancement)	Redesign the BenefitsCal announcements	Work on Draft Design	August 2023
CSPM-66213 (Enhancement)	Redesign the BenefitsCal homepage to create additional points of access for existing and new users	Work on Draft Design	August 2023
CSPM-43163 (Enhancement)	Restrict the user to create multiple Redeterminations and Periodic	Take next steps based on discussion	August 2023

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ID	Summary	Activity for Next Week	Target Delivery Date
	reports associated with a particular case number	with CalSAWS on Monday (7/10)	

Table 1.3-2 – Planned Activities for Next Reporting Period for Enhancements, Prioritized by CM

2.0 Application Development and Test

2.1 Requirements and Design

2.1.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period – Requirements and Design

> Designs

- Continued design activities for the July 2023 enhancements.
- Continued design activities for the August 2023 enhancements.
- Continued design activities for the CalWORKs Time Clocks for requirements FN-105.1 and FN-135.
- Met with Consortium to review outcome of the GetCalFresh SSA application analysis and discuss SSA application enhancement (CSPM-65292) for BenefitsCal on 07/06/23.
- Met with Consortium to discuss the design of CSPM-32596/CA-264051 Additional Accommodation Support Question on 07/06/23.

2.1.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – Requirements and Design

> Designs

- Continue design activities for the July 2023 enhancements.
- Continue design activities for the August 2023 enhancements.
- Continue design activities for the CalWORKs Time Clocks for requirements FN-105.1 and FN-135.
- Continue work on SSA Application on BenefitsCal enhancement CSPM-292.
- Meet with State Partners to discuss policy regarding the CM enhancement CSPM-35858 on 07/10/2023
- Host the BenefitsCal/CalSAWS Design Session Part 2: CalWORKs Time Clocks in BenefitsCal on 07/12/2023

2.1.3 Highlights of the Reporting Period – User Centered Design (UCD)

> Customer Experience (CX) Measurements Data

 Monitored the CX Measurements data from Medallia, Amplitude, and BenefitsCal on a day-to-day basis to identify and address potential usability issues during the week of 07/03/23. Weekly Status Report, July 12, 2023 Period: July 3, 2023 to July 9, 2023

> User Engagement

- Conducted one (1) usability testing sessions for the Homepage and Announcement design changes on 07/06/23.
- Planned for discovery research to learn more about the Assister experience for SSA applications.
- Prepared and sent a customer engagement forecast to CDSS to help create a budget for customer compensation.

> Enhancements

• Collaborated with the Design/Functional team to create mockups for August enhancements.

2.1.4 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – UCD

> CX Measurements Data

 Monitor the CX Measurements data from Medallia, Amplitude, and BenefitsCal on a day-to-day basis to identify and address potential usability issues during the week of 07/10/23.

User Engagement

• Conduct one (1) usability testing sessions for the Homepage and Announcement design changes during the week of 07/10/23.

Enhancements

 Integrate feedback from customer usability testing and feedback from CWDA, State Partners and Advocates into the design for the homepage and Announcement Enhancements by 07/14/23.



Figure 2.1-1 – UCD Stakeholder Engagement

2.2 Development

2.2.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period – Development

Enhancements (M&E)

Release	Planned for Week Ending 07/07/23	Actual for Week Ending 07/07/23	Total Planned for the Release	Comments
23.07.27	4	4	10	

Table 2.2-1– Enhancement Actuals for Reporting Period

Release of Information [DDI]

- Completed three (3) widgets.
- Support for UAT testing is in progress.

2.2.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – Development

Enhancements (M&E)

Release	Planned for Week Ending 07/14/23	Total Planned for the Release	Total Completed for the Release	Comments
23.07.27	4	10	6	

Table 2.2-2 – Planned Enhancement Work

Unscheduled Release Updates

> Chatbot

- For the 25 issues that we have reported earlier related to Currency Slot and Custom Slot for Chinese, Japanese, and Korean languages, the AWS team is updating the Language model at their end and the provided ETA for those fixes is June 2023.
- The AWS team stated they have rolled out the fix for the mute detection issue in the Spanish, Korean, and Japanese languages, but during validation, we found the issue was still reproduceable in the Spanish and Korean languages. The AWS team is yet to provide an ETA for the resolution and fix. This is being tracked by CSPM-56537.

2.3 System Test Execution

2.3.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period – System Test Execution

- > Release 23.07.03 CalWIN Wave 5 Release
 - Deployed CalWIN Wave 5 Release into PRD on 07/03
- > Release 23.07.27 July Monthly Release
 - Continued validating the July Release Tickets and coordinated with the partners for any end-to-end validation.

2.4 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – System Test Execution

Release 23.07.27 – July Monthly Release

• Continue validating the July Release Tickets and coordinate with the partners for any end-to-end validation.

2.5 User Acceptance Test (UAT) Planning

2.5.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period – User Acceptance Test Planning

> UAT Test Execution

• None for the period.

2.5.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – User Acceptance Test Planning

Test Support

• None for the period.

3.0 Performance Test

3.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period – Performance Test

> Release 23.07.27 – July Monthly Release

 BenefitsCal performance team gathered details on the July monthly release performance testing scope and enhancements. This monthly release includes Seven (7) enhancements in scope and team is working towards making changes into existing AFB, document uploads and other scripts. Team will also develop two (2) new scripts to cover the add announcements and Help center search features. Further, team would plan the isolated performance testing activities accordingly.

3.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – Performance Test

> Release 23.07.27 – July Monthly Release

 Continue working on developing new scripts and rescripting the existing scenarios for July release and plan and execute the performance testing activities.

Cycle	Start Date	End Date	Scope	Test Cases Status	Executi on Status
13	06/19/23	07/21/23	Release 23.07.27 – July Monthly Release	Scope: Seven (7) BenefitsCal enhancements and updated features for July release requiring updates to existing AFB, Document upload, new add announcement and new Help Center search scripts Executions: TBD	0%

Table 3.2-1 – Performance Test Cycles and Test Case Status

4.0 Security

4.1 User Conversion

4.1.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period – User Conversion Testing

CalWIN Conversion

 Reviewed the Exception Report from the Wave 4 CBO Production load, remediating any issues that occurred during the load to ensure successful user cutover.

4.1.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – User Conversion Testing

> Perform CBO User Data Validation

• Identify Primary Points of Contact (PPOCs) for the rest of the CalWIN Counties to perform Community Based Organization (CBO) user data validation.

4.2 Security

4.2.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period – Security

- > SAST
 - Executed the weekly Static Application Security Testing (SAST) of the application source code and shared the analysis of the security scan reports with the BenefitsCal Development Team for remediation on 07/07/23.

4.2.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period – Security

Identified Vulnerabilities

• After the validation of the identified vulnerabilities, advise on the remediation activities to be performed by the BenefitsCal Development Team. Log defects in Jira for tracking purposes (weekly recurring activity).

AWS SSO for BenefitsCal

 Collaborate with the Consortium Security Team to update Amazon Web Services Single Sign-On (AWS SSO) users specific to BenefitsCal and facilitate onboarding and offboarding of AWS SSO for BenefitsCal users, as needed.

5.0 Communications

5.1 Highlights of the Reporting Period

> No activities planned for the reporting period.

5.2 Activities for the Next Reporting Period

> No activities planned for the next reporting period.

6.0 Appendices

6.1 Appendix A – Deliverable Summary

Deliverable Status by Submission

		Complete	e Coming Soon		oon	WAC Approval Pending	
DEL ID	Deliverable Name		DDED	FDED	DDEL	FDEL	Final Approval
	There are currently no Deliverables scheduled.						

Table 6.1-1 – Deliverable Status for Current Reporting Period

Upcoming Deliverable Deadlines

DEL #	Deliverable Name	Status	Next Deadline
There a	e currently no Deliverables scheduled.		

Table 6.1-2 – Upcoming Deliverable Deadlines

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Work Product Status by Submission

	Complete	Coming Soc	WAC	Approval Pending
ID	Work Product Name	DWP	FWP	Final Approval
24.18	CX Report – April/May 2023	06/09/23	06/21/23	06/28/23
25.16	Monthly M&O Report – May 2023	06/09/23	06/21/23	06/28/23
25.17	Monthly M&O Report – June 2023	07/11/23	07/21/23	07/28/23
26.05	BOM Review and License Renewals	N/A	07/07/23	07/18/23
27.05	Certificate Review	N/A	07/07/23	07/18/23
28.14	BenefitsCal Work Plan Monthly Updates – May 2023	N/A	06/05/23	06/14/23
28.15	BenefitsCal Work Plan Monthly Updates – June 2023	N/A	07/10/23	07/19/23
29.14	BenefitsCal Monthly Status Report – May 2023	N/A	06/05/23	06/14/23
29.15	BenefitsCal Monthly Status Report – June 2023	N/A	07/10/23	07/19/23
32.01	Communications and Marketing Plan	05/31/23	06/13/23	06/21/23

Table 6.1-3 – Upcoming Work Product Deadlines

Upcoming Work Product Deadlines

WP #	Work Product Name	Status	Next Deadline
25.17	Monthly M&O Report – June 2023	On Track	DWP submission 07/11/23 FWP submitted 07/21/23 FWP approval 07/28/23
26.05	BOM Review and License Renewals	On Track	FWP submitted 07/07/23 FWP approval 07/18/23
27.05	Certificate Review	On Track	FWP submitted 07/07/23 FWP approval 07/18/23
28.15	BenefitsCal Work Plan Monthly Updates – June 2023	On Track	FWP submission 07/10/23 FWP approval 07/19/23
29.15	BenefitsCal Monthly Status Report – June 2023	On Track	FWP submission 07/10/23 FWP approval 07/19/23

Table 6.1-4 – Upcoming Work Product Deadlines

6.2 Appendix B – Risks and Issues Summary

Project Risks and Issues

ID	Title	Details	Status	Impact	Probability	Date Logged
246	Perceived Gap in Functionality	A perceived gap in functionality between GetCalFresh and BenefitsCal was identified. Select features identified within GetCalFresh are not present within BenefitsCal as they are not part of the project requirements, and change requests were logged to address. Impacts BenefitsCal adoption by Community Partners may be lower as they rely on features (like the referral code) to complete their work. The future migration from GCF to BenefitsCal in 2022 is at risk until features are added to BenefitsCal. Status Updates: November 11, 2022 ► CDSS is currently reviewing the final list to confirm dispositions and next steps for prioritization. Any items that are identified as "must have" will be taken to collaboration model meeting. CDSS is targeting the end of the calendar year to complete the review. January 8, 2023 ► BenefitsCal team has started working on the effort estimations for the gaps list (31 gaps/52 enhancements). CWDA and Consortium will provide direction on the implementation schedule. May 5, 2023 ► Participated in bi-weekly meeting on 05/03/23.	Open	2	Medium	
		 CDSS informed the group about the funding confirmation for SCERFRA 23- 512 and CF 303 components. There is a follow up meeting on 5/9/23 for the plan 				

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ID	Title	Details	Status	Impact	Probability	Date Logged
		 CDSS continued the mapping of the components planned for decommissioning to parity list items 				

Table 6.2-1 – Project Risks and Issues

6.3 CRFI/CIT/CalSAWS CR Communications Information

The following table outlines CalSAWS Information Transmittals (CITs) sent for the reporting period.

CITID	То	Subject	Category	Distribution Date	Primary CalSAWS Contact	Backup CalSAWS Contact
None						

Table 6.3-1 – CITs

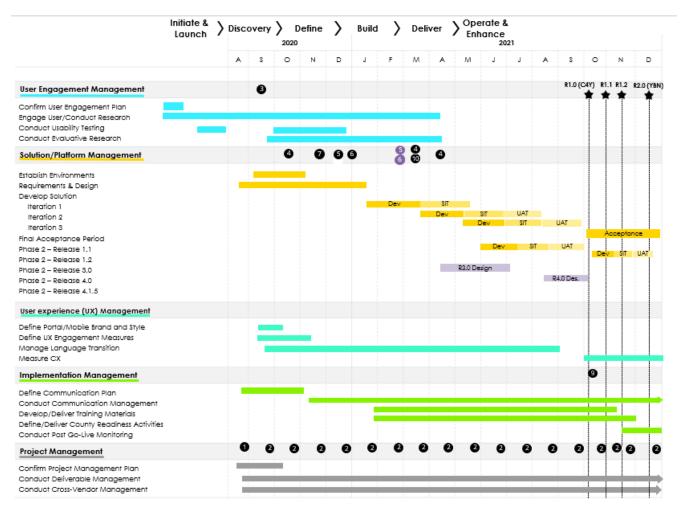
The following table outlines CalSAWS Requests for Information (CRFIs) sent for the reporting period.

CRFI ID	То	Subject	Distribution Date	Status	Response Due Date	Primary BenefitsCal Contact	Backup BenefitsCal Contact
None							

Table 6.3-2 – CRFIs

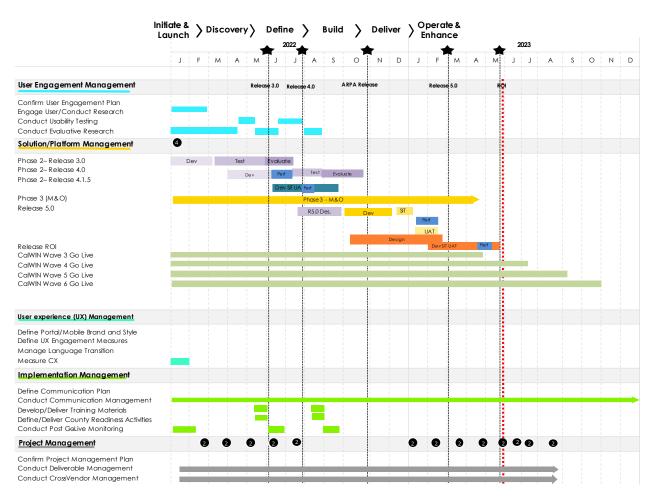
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Project Timeline



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Project Action Items - Overdue

This table lists overdue action items, including the owner and due date.

ID	Description	Owner	Due Date
None			

Table 6.4-1 – Overdue Action Items