JPA Board of Directors Meeting

July 18, 2025



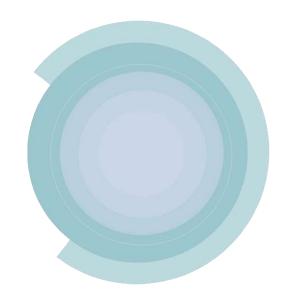
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# Agenda

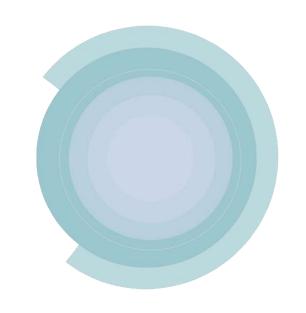
- 1. Call Meeting to Order.
- 2. Confirmation of Quorum and Agenda Review.
- 3. Public Comment: Public opportunity to speak on any item NOT on the Agenda. Public comments are limited to no more than three minutes per speaker, except that a speaker using a translator shall be allowed up to six minutes.

Note: The public may also speak on any Item ON the Agenda by waiting until that item is read, then requesting recognition from the Chair to speak.

- 4. Approval of Group Sales Agreement between CalSAWS Consortium and the Fairmont San Francisco for the CalSAWS Annual Conference June 24-26, 2026, and delegation of authority to CalSAWS Executive Director to sign Catering and A/V agreements in an amount not to exceed \$175,000.
- 5. Approval of Accenture Amendment 33 to extend the term of the agreement by an additional seven (7) months to align to the Maintenance & Enhancement (M&E) transition period and account for one (1) month contract close-out.
- 6. Approval of Deloitte Portal Mobile Change Order 10, which exercises an extension of the Agreement by seven (7) of the optional nine (9) months through March 31, 2026.

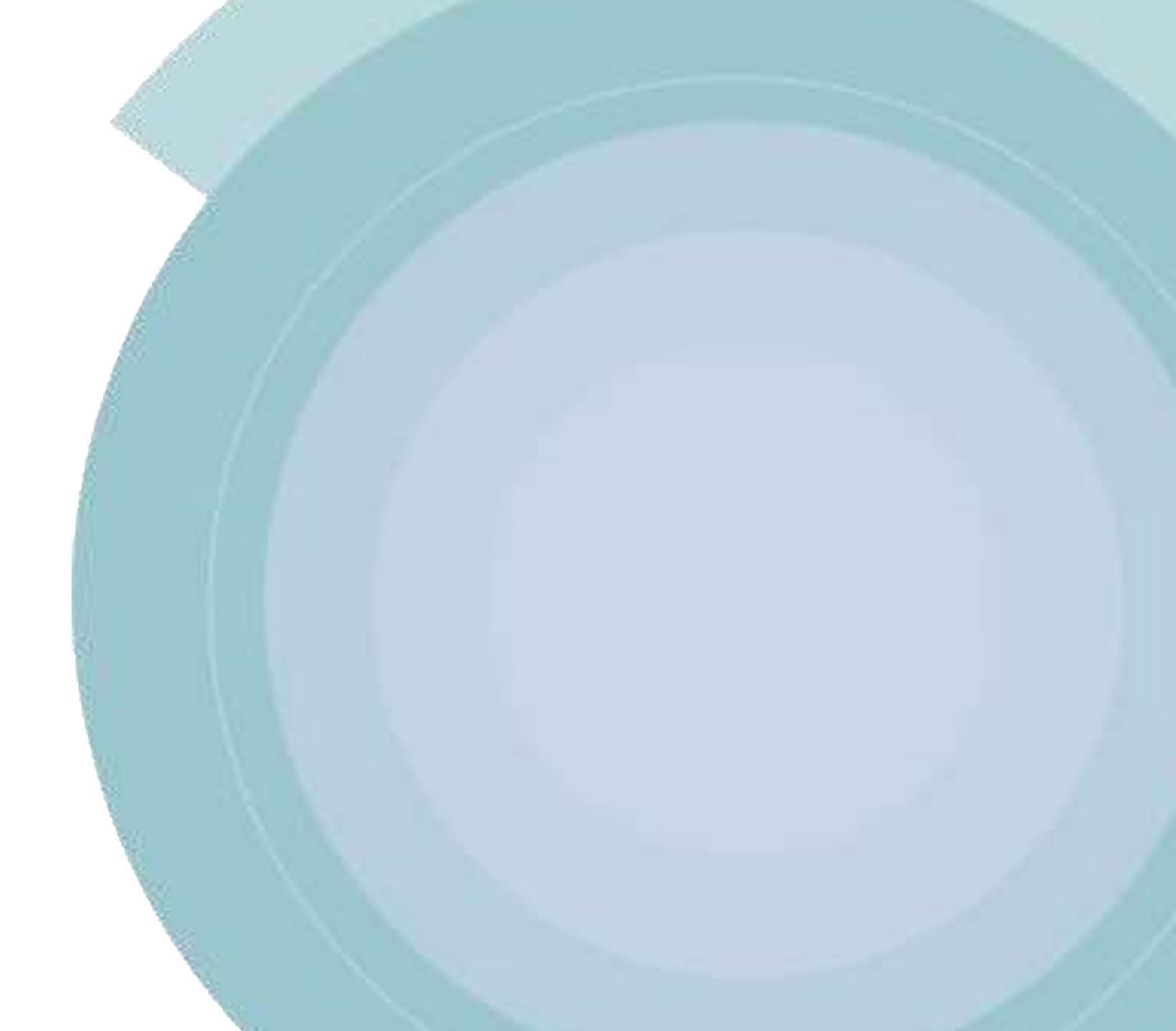


- 7. Approval of Consent Items:
  - a. Approval of the Minutes and review of the Action Items from the June 27, 2025, joint meetings of the JPA Member Representatives and Board of Directors.
  - b. Approval of Accenture Change Notice 41, which includes county purchases, premise, and transition updates.
  - c. Approval of Gainwell Central Print Change Order 4, which includes county purchases, two (2) premise items, Return Mail, and updates to print volumes for the base term.
  - d. Approval of Gainwell Infrastructure Change Order 1, which includes six (6) county purchases.

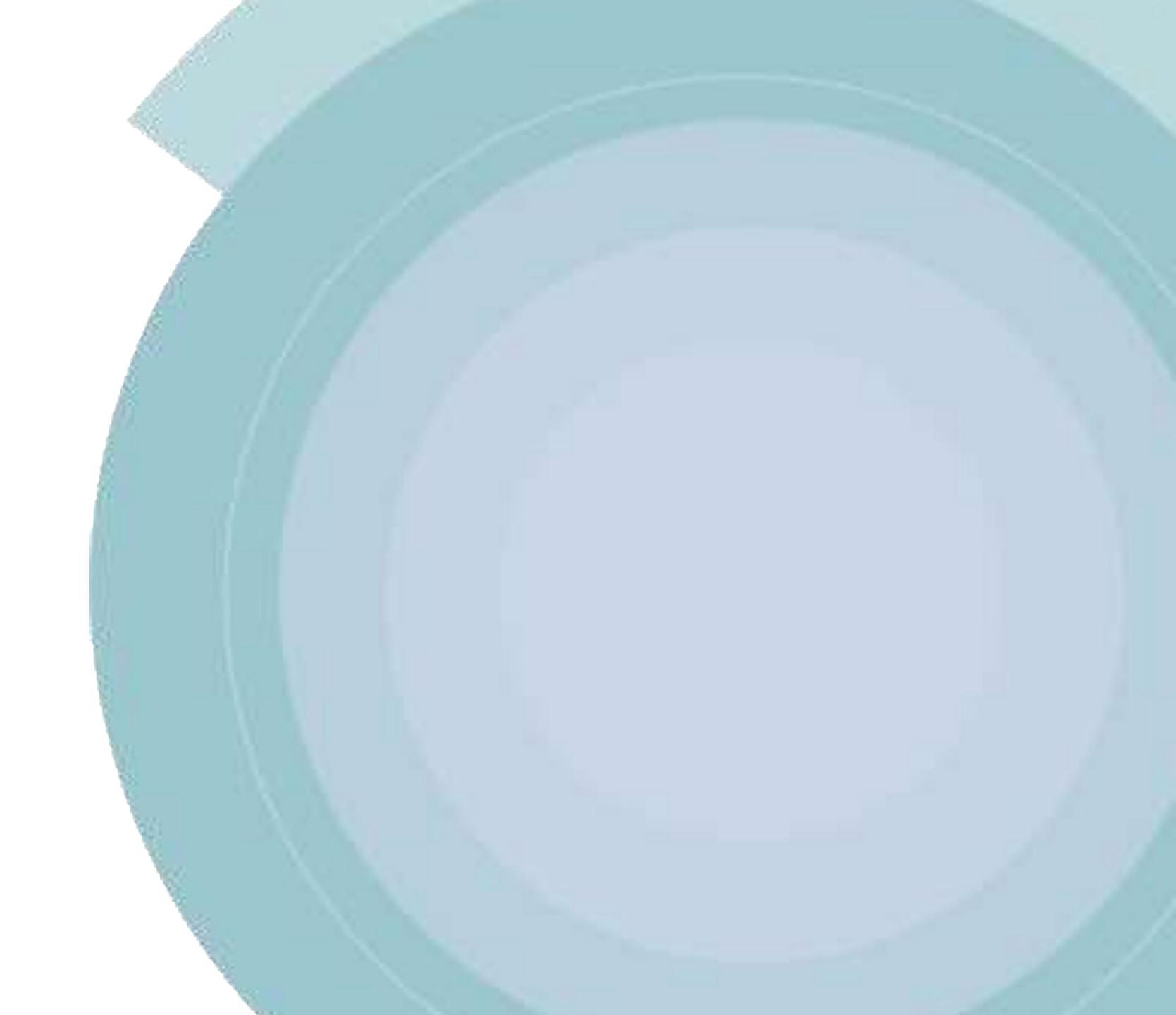


- 6. Approval of Consent Items (Continued):
  - e. Approval of Deloitte BenefitsCal Work Order 19, which includes enhancement items to align to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) 800-53 revision 5.
  - f. Approval of ClearBest Change Order 9 Work Order 3, which includes nine (9) premise items.

# Informational Items

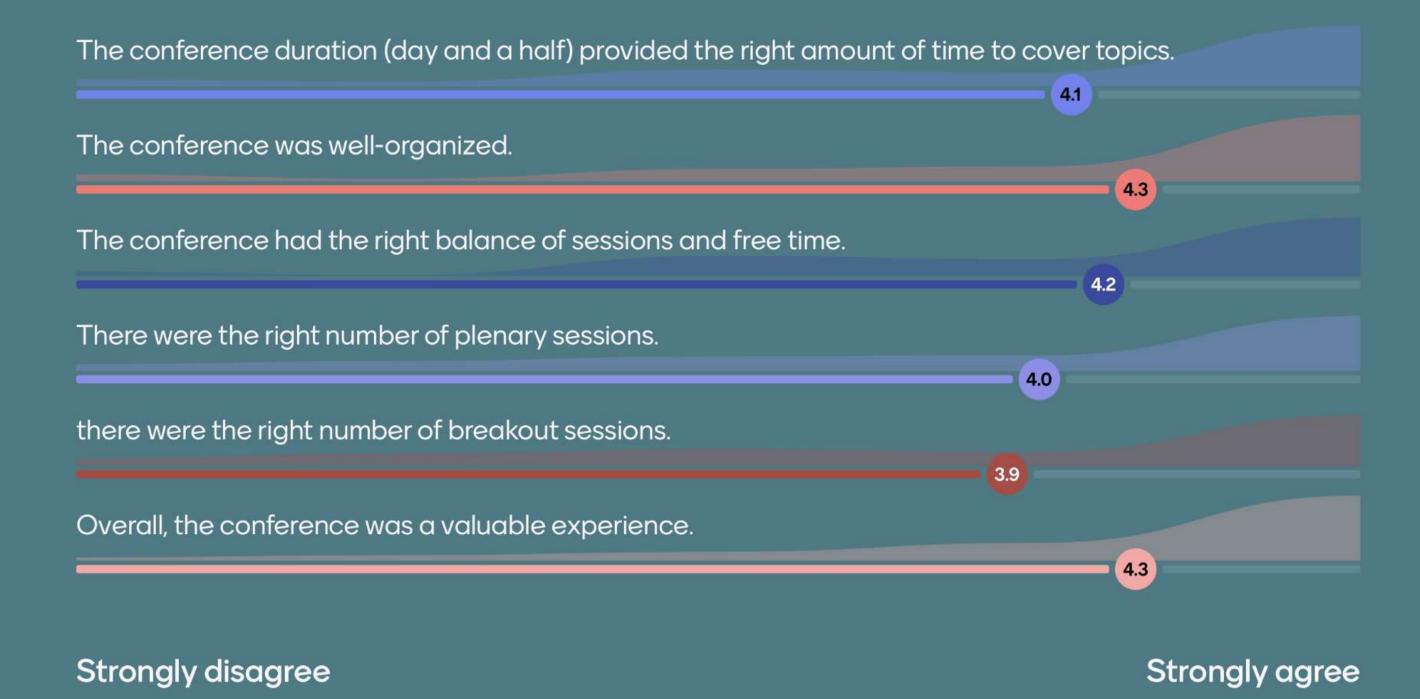


# 2025 CalSAWS Conference Debrief





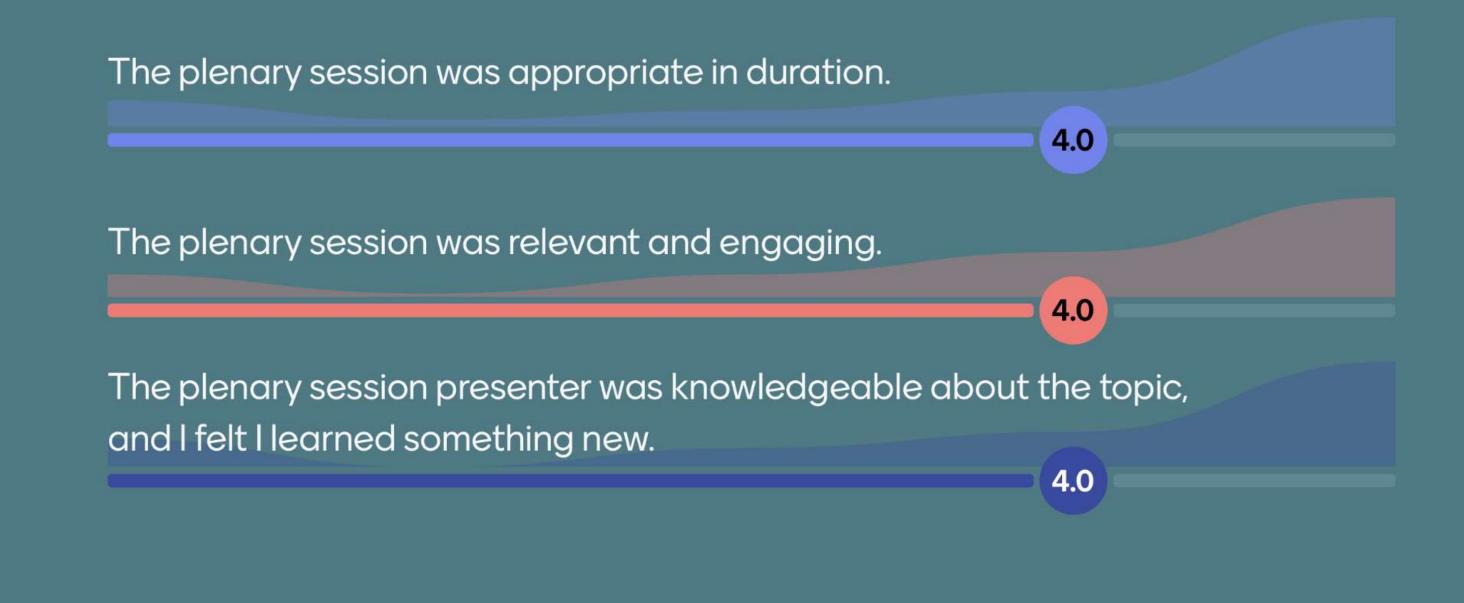
## Overall Experience







### Plenary Session #1 - CalSAWS Priorities and Objectives



Strongly disagree



Strongly agree



### Plenary Session #2 - GenAl Call Summary Prep and Tool

The plenary session was appropriate in duration.

4.3

The plenary session was relevant and engaging.

4.1

The plenary session presenters and panel members were knowledgeable about their topic, and I felt I learned something new.

4.1

Strongly disagree

Strongly agree





### Plenary Session #3 - Collaboration Model Redesign

The plenary session was appropriate in duration.

4.1

The plenary session was relevant and engaging.

3.8

The plenary session presenters and panel members were knowledgeable about their topic, and I felt I learned something new.

3.9

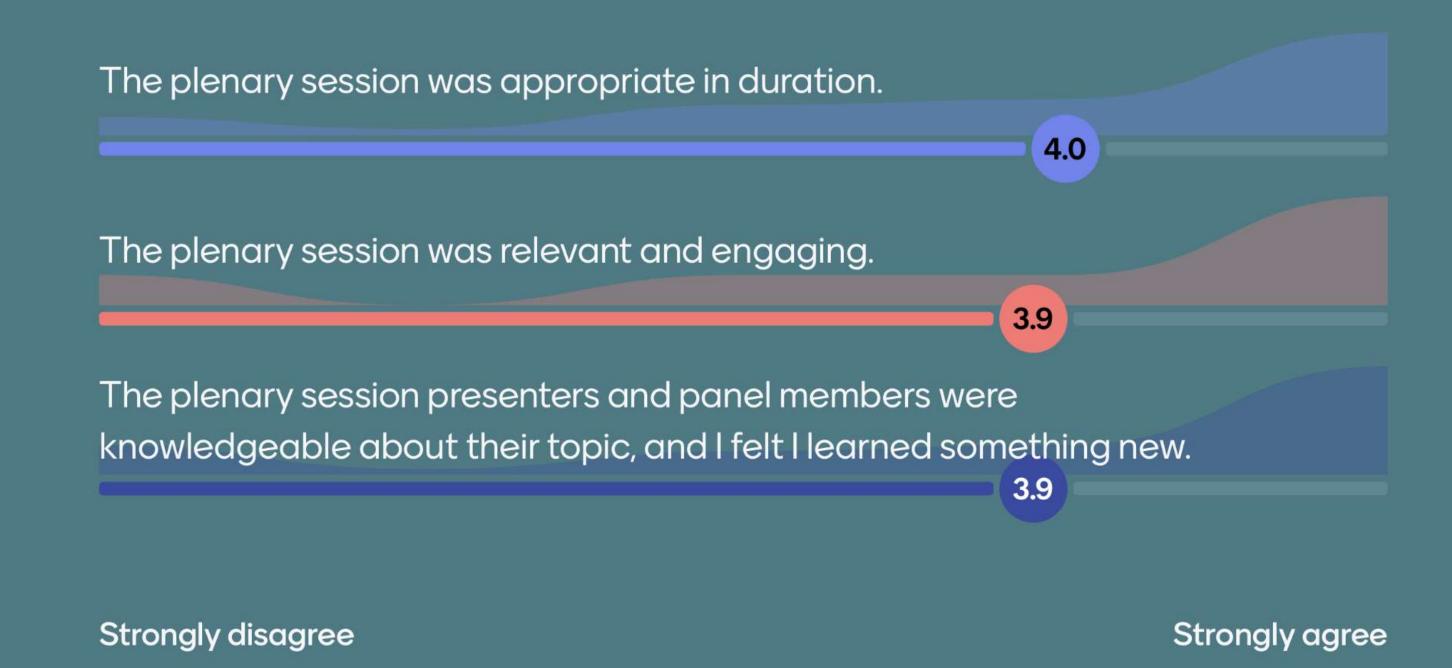
Strongly disagree

Strongly agree





### Breakout Session 1 - Harnessing Analytics for Better Decisions







Breakout Session 2 - Using Gamification to Improve Contact Cente

The plenary session was appropriate in duration.

4.1

The plenary session was relevant and engaging.

3.7

The plenary session presenters and panel members were knowledgeable about their topic, and I felt I learned something new.

3.8

Strongly disagree

Strongly agree





### Breakout Session #3 - Cracking the Code on Return Mail







### Breakout Session #4 - Networking with a Mission

The plenary session was appropriate in duration.

3.7

The plenary session was relevant and engaging.

3.0

The plenary session presenters and panel members were knowledgeable about their topic, and I felt I learned something new.

3.1

Strongly disagree

Strongly agree



The BCR Song

Gamification (Breakout 2)

Collaboration Model
Reminds us of community focus
and impact

Return Mail (Breakout 3)

CalSAWS Priorities and Objectives was very informative

GenAl and Call Center Functionality demo

Analytics Session (Breakout 1)

Networking Session
Time to network with
colleagues
Meeting new people

Working our county CBOs and advocates to bridge the gaps to better serve our customers.

Plenary Panels

Keynote
Speakers
connected the why
of what we do and
how things are done

Location and length of sessions

Meaty Topics All was very interesting.

Enjoyed the

conference as a

whole.

Great Theme and Location

I felt the conference was well organized and gave us as attendees the right amount of information to take back to our counties.

Slides were hard to read

Better chairs

Add an additional day

BenefitsCal User Experience Focus

Better organized and have handouts

I wish I could have attended every session. Don't want to have to choose.

Add a fun mixer
thing (like an
evening at the bar,
so I know where the
cool kids will be)

More sessions

More breakout sessions

More detailed sessions

(county practices)

Just need 2 plenary sessions (1 per day).
More time for breakout sessions.

Code name challenge was overwhelming...
Loved fun facts on the name tags.

Create Fraud Prevention and Detection as a breakout session by harnessing AI capabilities of CalSAWS

Plenary Session 2 was repetitive of CWDA Conference and other meetings

This was great as it was.
Keep up the good work!
All good!
I cannot think of anything at this time.

# January 2026 JPA Member Representatives Meeting

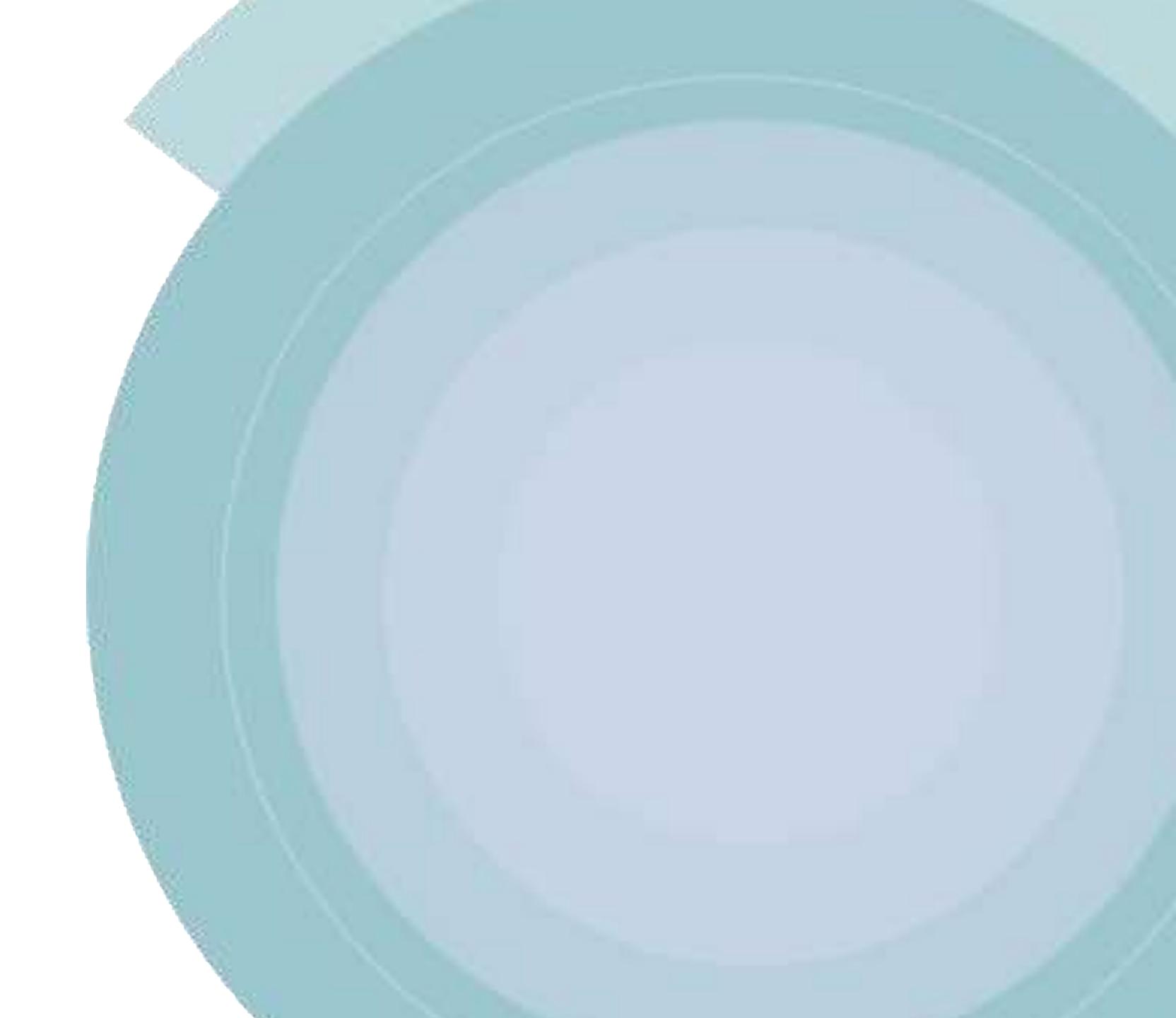
January 29, 2026 | Zoom and CalSAWS Office, Gold River, CA

# June 2026 Conference and JPA Member Representatives Meeting

June 25-26, 2026 | San Francisco, CA

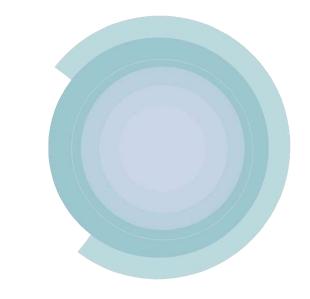


BenefitsCal Document Upload Research Update



# BenefitsCal Document Upload Research Update

### Concerns and Findings



### Delayed Document Availability

- Documents uploaded during the eApplication process are not viewable by workers until the application is submitted.
  - Customers may mistakenly believe documents are already submitted, leading to incomplete applications.

# Lost or Misplaced Documents Resulting in Additional Requests for Documents

- Unsubmitted applications prevent documents from being uploaded and attaching to a case.
  - Potential BenefitsCal enhancement to provide clear disclaimer
- Some workers are unaware that uploaded documents are accessible on the eApplication page or where to find them once linked to a case.
  - "Point of Service" allows users to see the BenefitsCal documents submitted within the past 90 days.
  - Additional Trainings and training resources may improve awareness among workers.
- Documents may have been submitted but do not meet eligibility requirements, requiring workers to request additional documentation or further clarification.

# BenefitsCal Document Upload Research Update

### Ongoing Steps

### Coordination and Follow-up

- Examples received from Advocate co-leads continue to be investigated and results are being shared.
  - Five cases sent in early June
  - Two cases sent in mid June\*
- Additional examples have been requested from the Advocate coleads to continue to research this item.
  - One case sent in early July (research ongoing)
- County Learning Exchange (CLE) may provide user-focused training based on identified confusion or workflow gaps (August CLE topic: BenefitsCal – in planning stages).

### Training and Communication

- CalSAWS Learning Exchange sessions held on June 3 and 5, focused on Imaging
  - > Recorded and available for counties.
- Monthly Enhanced Imaging Communications include:
- Training videos, Quick Reference Guides, Tips and updated materials on system enhancements.
- Two Quick Guides currently in internal review – one worker facing, one public facing

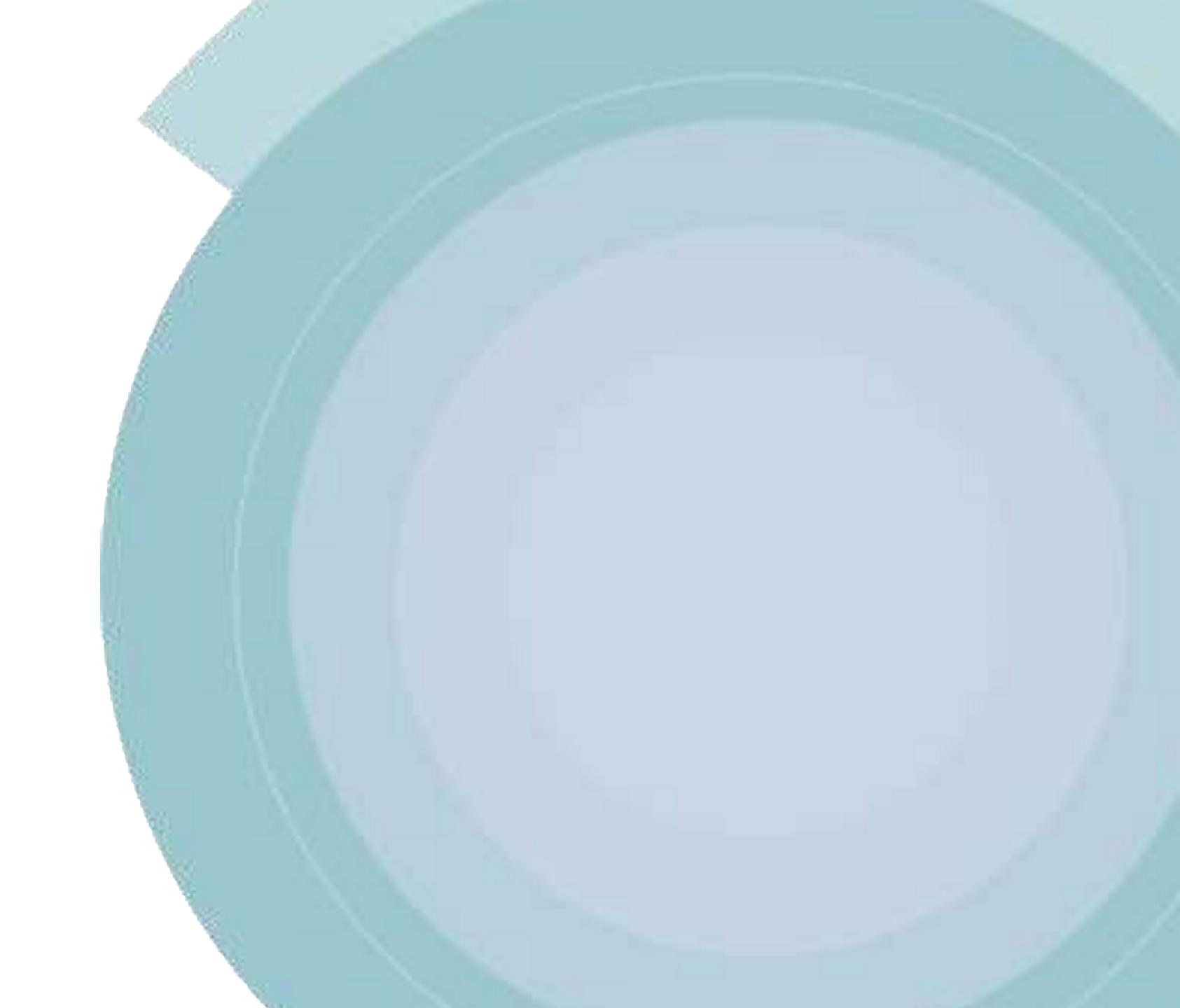
### Potential System Enhancements

- BenefitsCal enhancement -Add disclaimer clearly informing users that documents are not uploaded until the application is submitted.
- CalSAWS enhancement Add "BenefitsCal Images" button to Case Summary page.

Note: No SCRs are currently documented at this time.

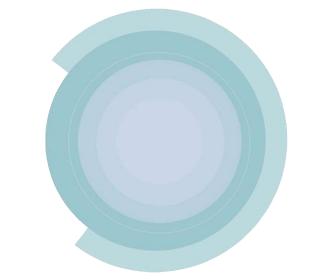
<sup>\*</sup>an additional 7 cases were sent in mid June related to Two-Way Messaging

# BenefitsCal Update



# Application Completion and Page Exit Rate

Customer | Completed within 7 Days | Q1 (Jan-Mar 2025)



In Q1, from Jan-March 2025,

328K

customers **started** new BenefitsCal applications.

In 7 days In 30 days

64%

68%

of these applications were **completed.** 

In 7 days

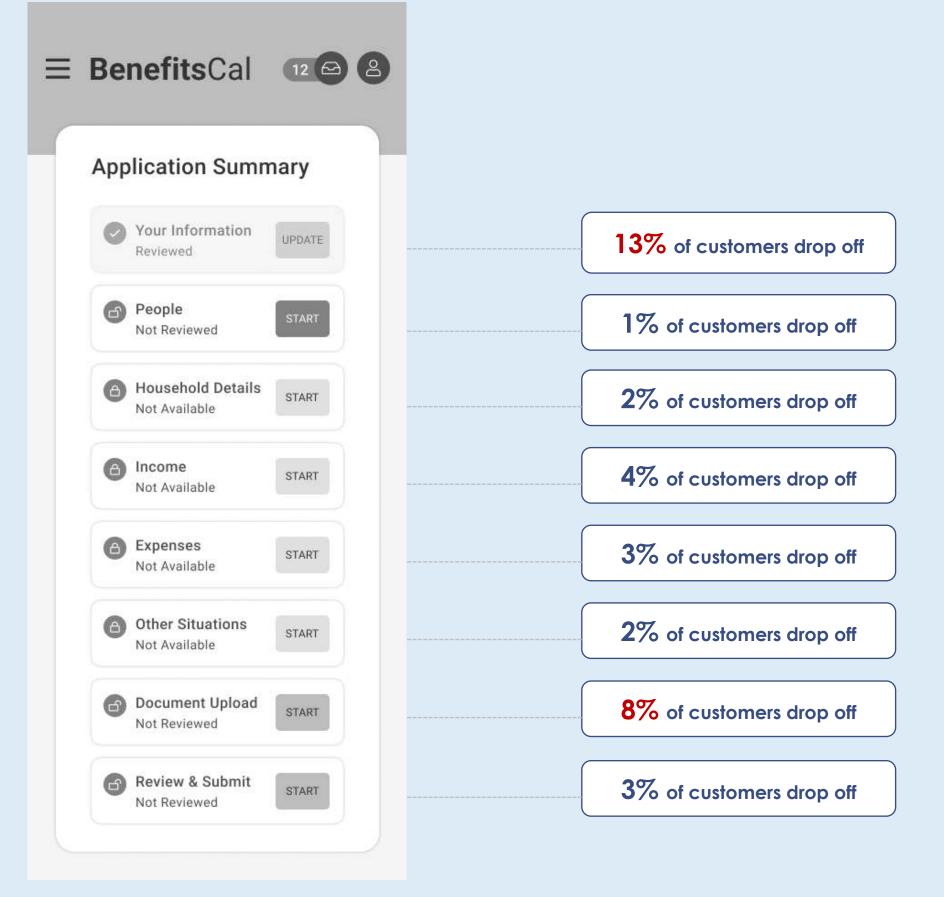
In 30 days

36%

32%

Of all new BenefitsCal customer applications result in drop-offs.

# Where in the BenefitsCal application do customers tend to drop off?



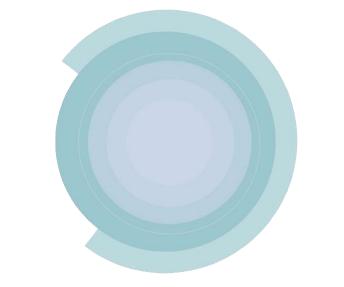
Most page exits occur in the Your Information section and Document Upload section.

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# Your Information – Section Drop-Offs Drilldown

Customer | Completed within 7 Days | Q1 (Jan-Mar 2025)



39K

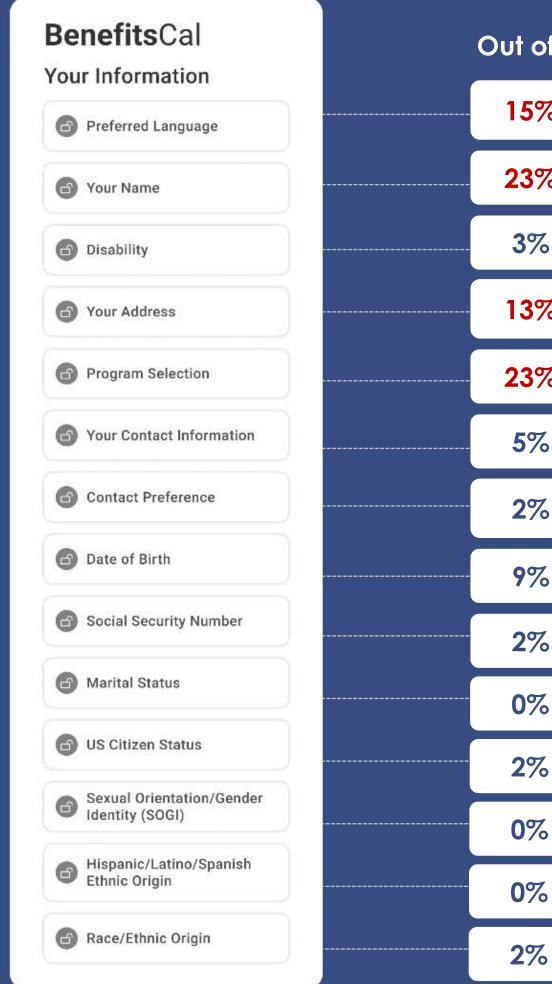
or

13%

of all new BenefitsCal customers drop off at the **Your Information** section.

### Impacted Cohort:

- Customers belonging to 40–50 age group
- Customers with more than 3 household members



Out of 39k customers, 15% of customers drop off 23% of customers drop off 3% of customers drop off 13% of customers drop off 23% of customers drop off 5% of customers drop off 2% of customers drop off **9**% of customers drop off 2% of customers drop off 0% of customers drop off 2% of customers drop off 0% of customers drop off 0% of customers drop off 2% of customers drop off

Where in the Your Information section do customers

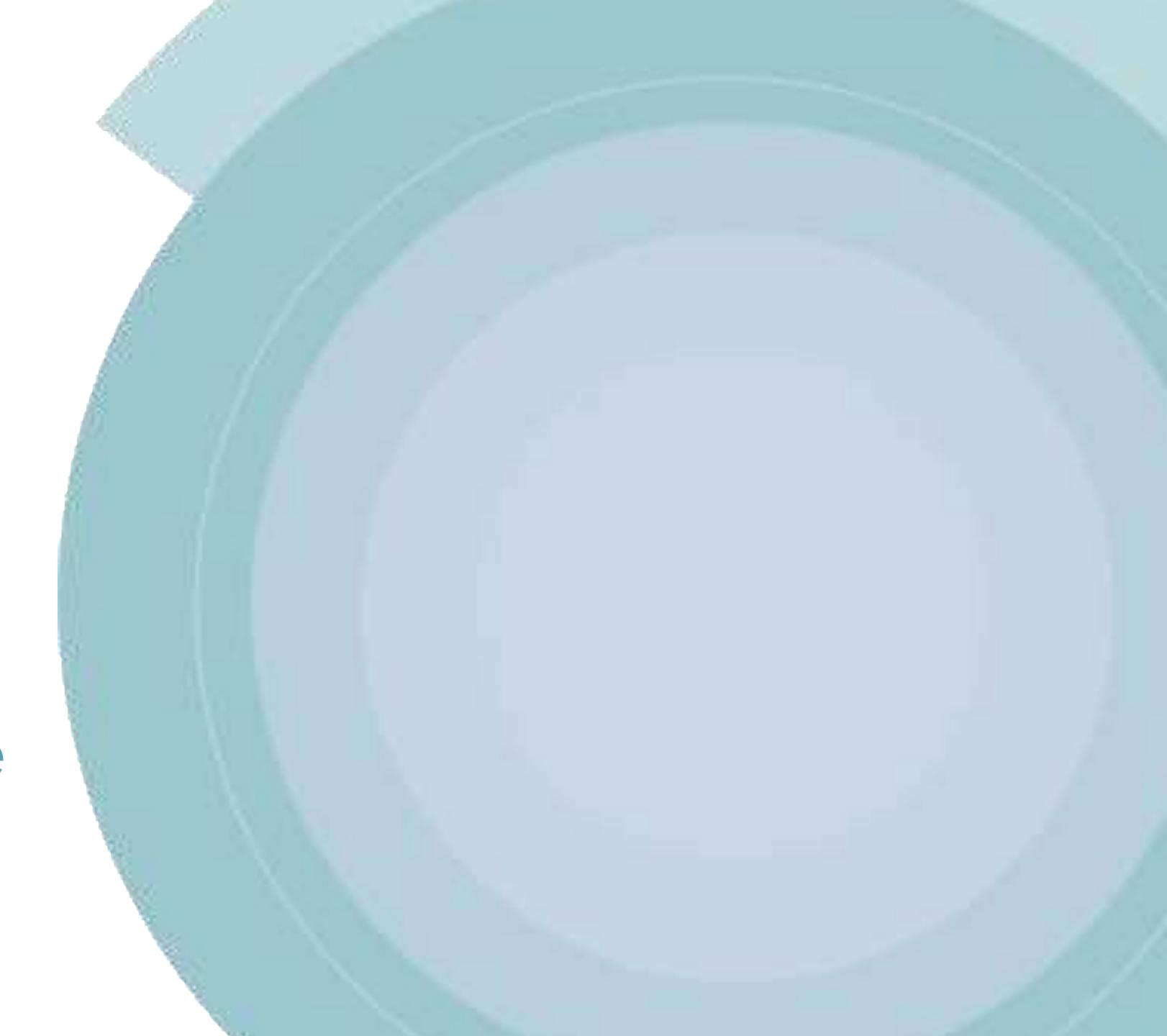
Most page exits occur in Preferred Language, Name, Address, and Program Selection pages.

tend to drop off?

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# Policy & Release Update



System Updates

Since we last met....

- Deployed 25.05 (70 SCRs, ~34,000 hrs)
  - San Bernardino County went live with the automated GA/GR solution. The first county to be added to this solution post migration
- Deployed 25.06 (9 SCRs, ~11,000 hrs)
- Completed Case Purge
  - First run for all 58 counties
  - ~1.38M cases purged; largest run to date
- Deployed SCATL application and completed conversion from WDTIP to SCATL

# Release and Policy Update SCATL

### Background:

- Post 58 county migration, it was approved to move the WDTIP TRAC data into CalSAWS. The benefits of this include:
  - Retirement of a +25-year, mainframe, COBOL system, saving the state funding each year by retiring this legacy system. System is available in read only mode through June 2026
  - Removal of an interface that required on-going reconciliation
  - Faster and easier sharing of Time on Aid records across counties, ease of use and improvements to workers regular tasks
- The initial request was a "lift and shift" of current CalSAWS/WDTIP functionality. We went on a step further:
  - New look and feel that enhances usability
  - Moving time clocks from PERS to CIN level

SCATL



## Technology

AWS Relational database

React front-end

Serverless lambdas

Real time integration with CalSAWS/EDD

### Data

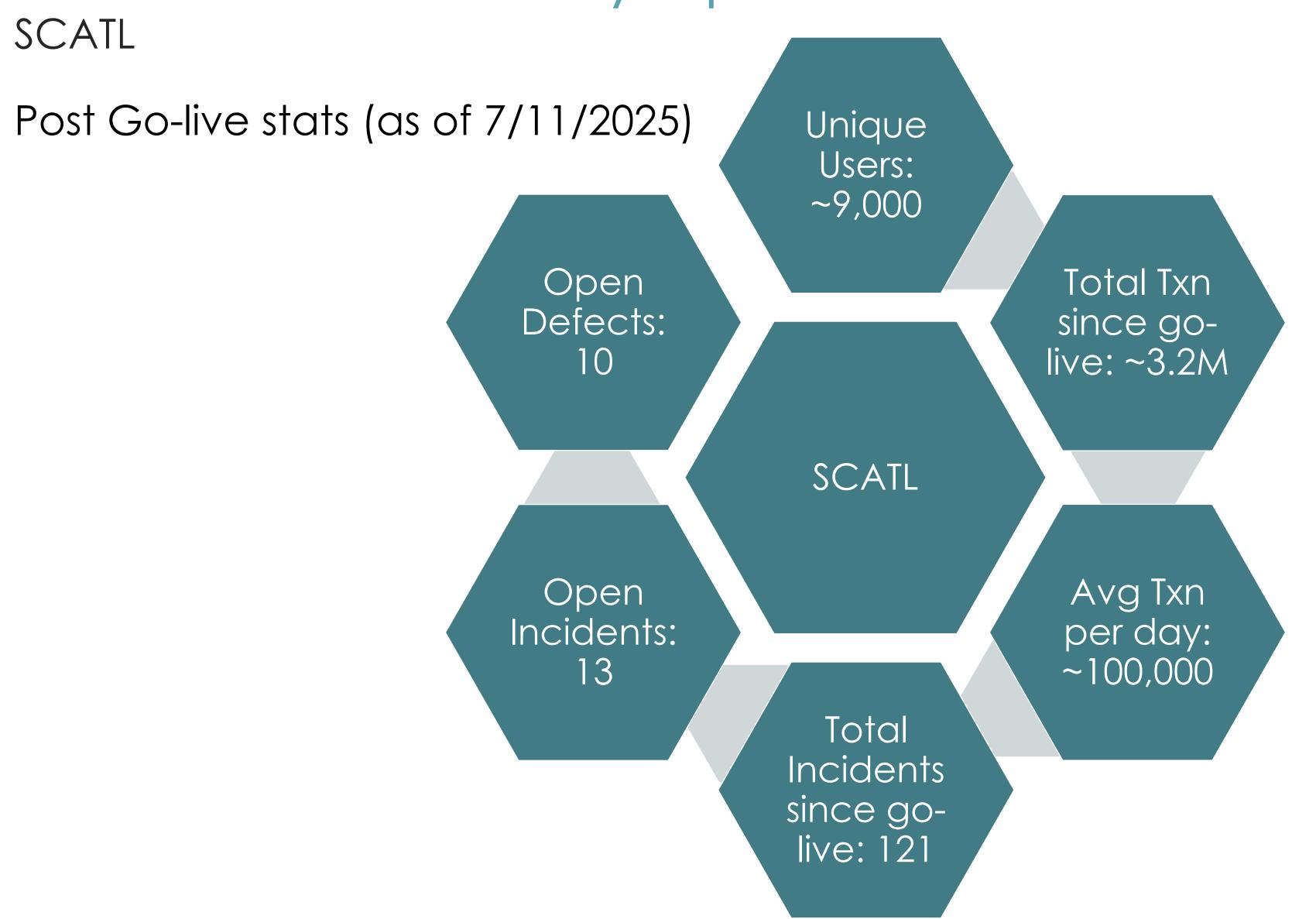
1/2 Billion records converted

Three mocks plus one successful conversion completed ahead of schedule!

## People

Simplified UI
Single sign-on
Demos, fact
sheets, quick
guides

Agile workgroup met every week



Upcoming Releases

July
Baseline (7/21/2025)
and Priority Releases

### 7/XX/2025:

- ACL 25-XX AAP, FC, KG, CNI Rate Increase for Year 2025-2026 COLA Values
- ACL 25-XX AAP, FC, KG, CNI Rate Increase for Year 2025-2026 -Batch EDBC COLA

### 7/21/2025:

- ACL 22-85 CalFresh CF 296 and Expedited Service Redesign
- ACL 10-01, ACL 15-94, ACL 15-94E - CF 387
   CalFresh Request for Information for Residency

### August Priority Releases

### 8/XX/2025:

- 2025-2026 CalFresh COLA; Update CalWORKs (CW) IRT Levels for 2025-2026
- Update Homeless Mapping for TANF Clock as per WDTIP TRAC Guide

# September Baseline (9/22/2025) and Priority Releases

### 9/XX/2025:

- ACIN I-XX-25- FFY 2025-2026 CalFresh COLA;
   ACL 25-XX CW IRT -Run Batch EDBC
- ACL 21-45 Add new CW and WTW Notices

### 9/22/2025:

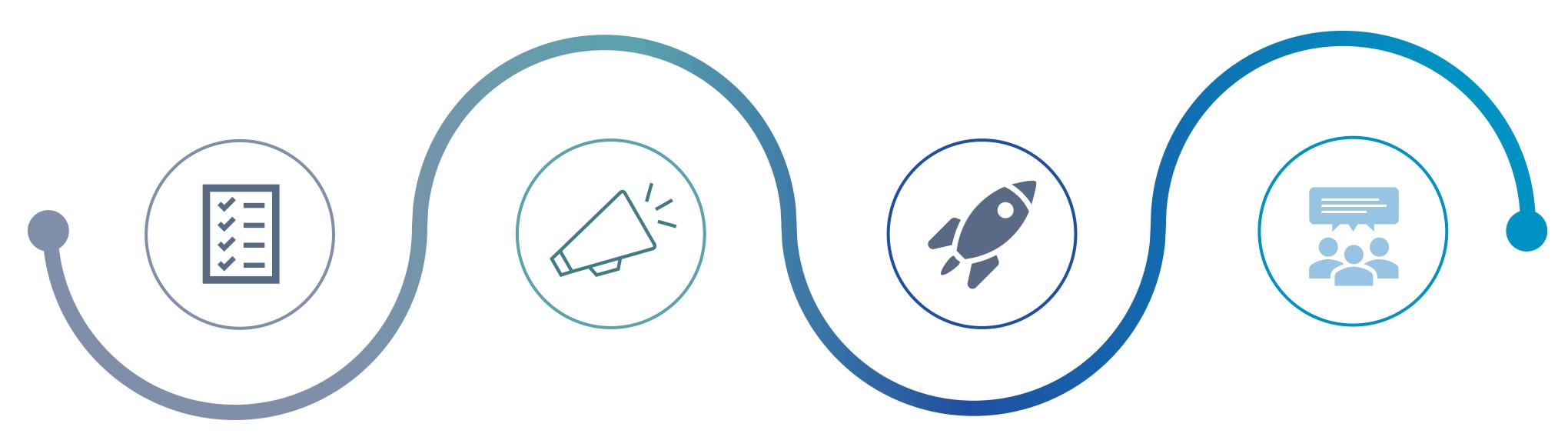
- Send MEDS Non-Extended Aid Codes For Foster Care & Kin-GAP Infants
- MEDIL I 25-07 2025
   Updates to the Single
   Streamlined
   Application
- ACL 13-96 Add additional forms to CalSAWS CW - CF -CW/CF and ESAP RE Packets

# October Priority Releases

### 10/XX/2025:

ACL 25-41 Informational ABAWD
 Waiver Ending Mass
 Mailer

Upcoming Releases – 25.07



### **TESTING**

System Test, QA, and county validation are all in progress

### RELEASE COMMUNICATION

Major Upcoming Changes (MUC): Draft 6/6/2025 Final 7/11/2025

Webcast: 7/01/2025

Newsletter and Release Notes: Week of 7/14/2025

### **DEPLOYMENT**

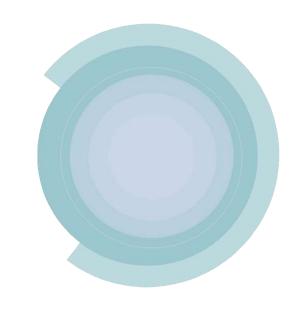
Greenlight: 7/16/2025

Deployment: 7/20/2025

### **POST RELEASE**

Post-Release Daily calls are scheduled for: 7/21/2025 - 7/23/2025

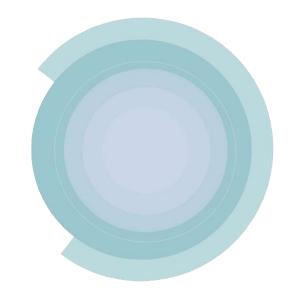
ACWDL 25-13 Medi-Cal Expansion Freeze for those with Unsatisfactory Immigration Status



Effective January 1, 2026 – New Medi-Cal (MC) applications submitted on or after this date for individuals without satisfactory immigration status will only be eligible for restricted-scope Medi-Cal.

SCR 291142 will implement the necessary system changes to support this policy update. It is tentatively scheduled for a priority release on December 22, 2025.
 The Medi-Cal Committee will review and provide feedback on this SCR once the design is complete.

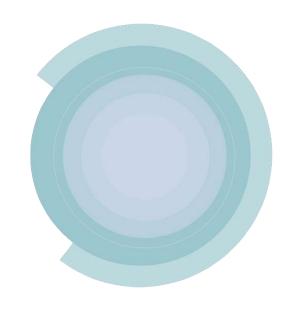
ACWDL 25-14 – Reinstatement of Assets Limits for Non-MAGI Programs



Starting January 1, 2026, the asset test for all Non-MAGI programs will be reinstated, including Medicare Savings Programs and Long-Term Care. The asset limits will apply to new applicants and existing members at renewal or when eligibility is reviewed due to a change in circumstances.

SCR 291144 will implement the necessary system changes to support this policy update. It is tentatively scheduled for a priority release on December 22, 2025.
 The Medi-Cal Committee will review and provide feedback on this SCR once the design is complete.

ACWDL 25-14 – Reinstatement of Assets Limits for Non-MAGI Programs

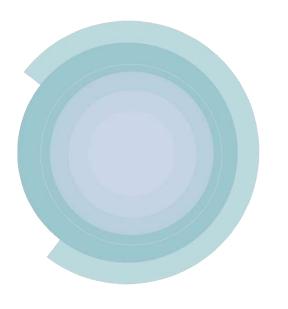


Beneficiaries will be required to report asset information at their redetermination (RE). To support this, DHCS is providing updated forms. SCR 291144 will include adding the updated forms to applicable MC RE packets.

January and February 2026 RE packets are mailed in November and December 2025. DHCS is creating a new asset report form (name and number TBD) to use until the updated forms are ready for March REs and beyond. Gainwell, the Central Print vendor, will add the form to the packets before mailing.

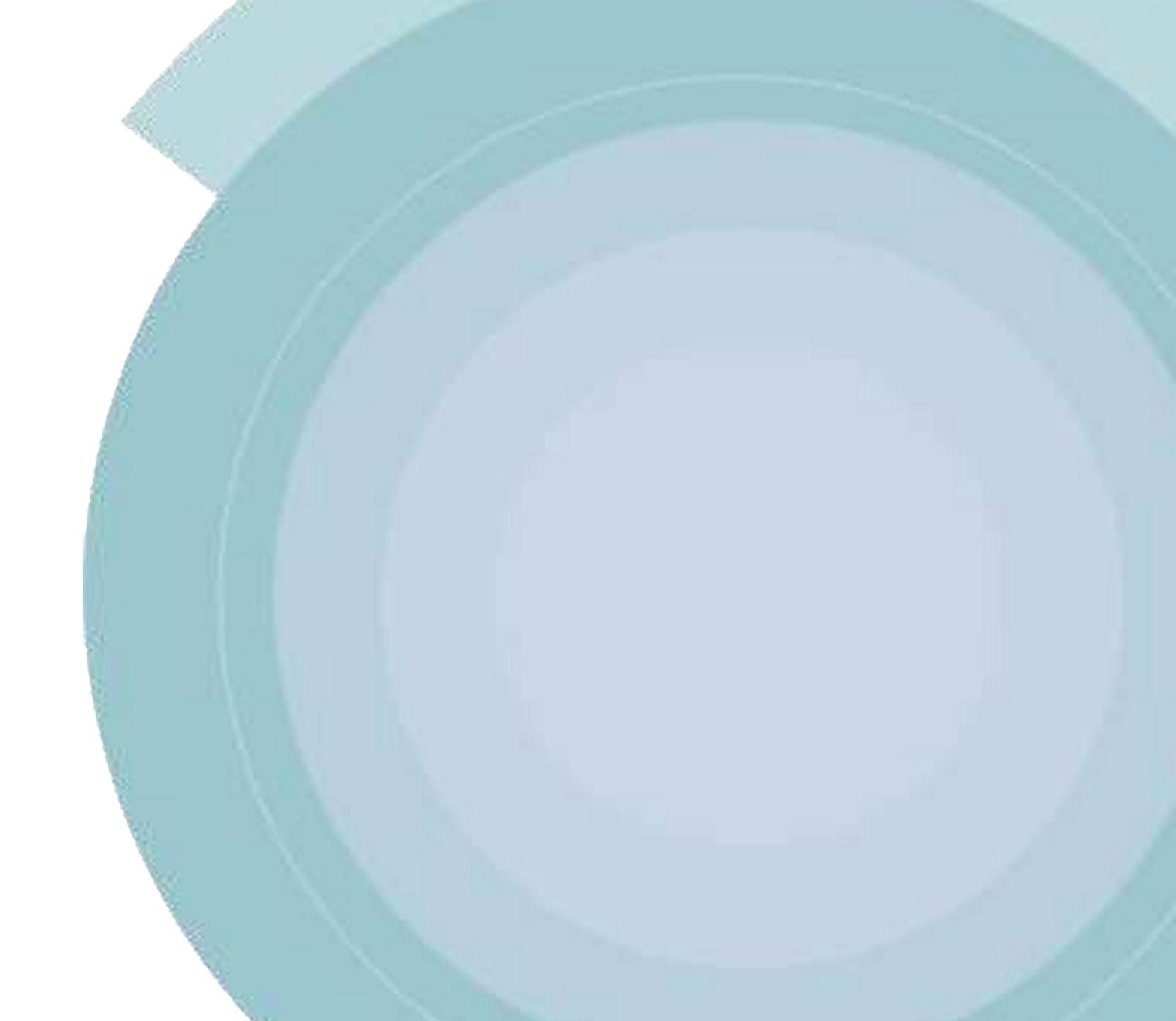
To meet the State's timeline, the initial version of the new form will be available in English and Spanish. The GEN 1365 will be included in all packets.

House Resolution 1 (H.R. 1): CalFresh Impacts – What We Know So Far



- Lawfully Present Non-Citizens: Changes impact eligibility and/or benefits.
- ABAWD Requirements: Expands time limits and work requirements for Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents.
- Standard Utility Allowance (SUA)
  - □ Limits SUAS benefit to households with elderly and disable members only
  - □ Excludes the cost of basic internet service from SUA calculations.
- Thrifty Food Plan: Imposes restrictions on future updates or changes.
- CalFresh Healthy Living: Eliminates federal funding for this program.

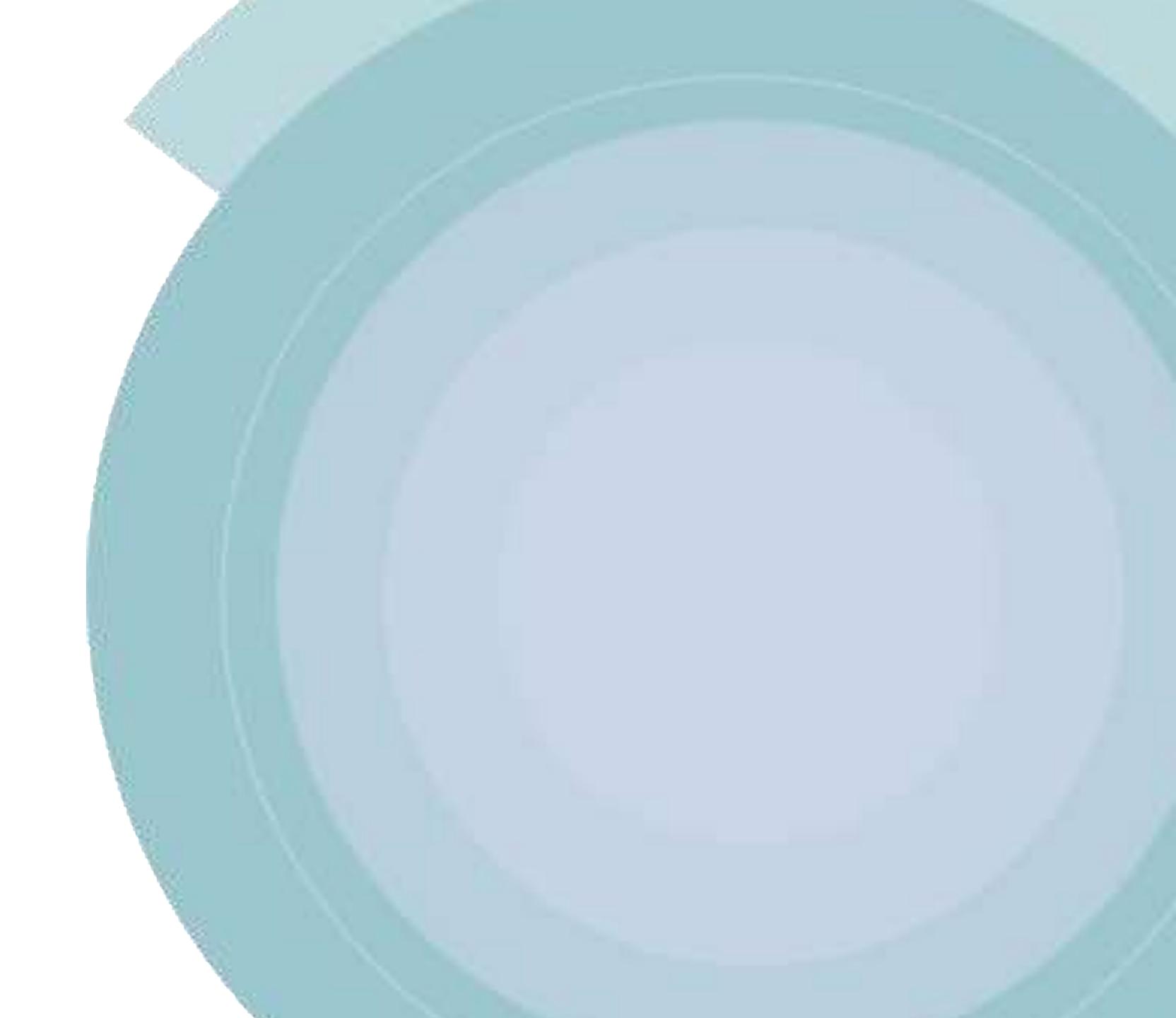
## Monthly Performance Trends



| CalSAWS SLAs<br>Mar 2025 – June 2025*                     |             |                |  |
|---|-------------|----------------|--|
|   | Performance |                |  |
|   | M&E         | Infrastructure |  |
| ✓ System Availability                                     | 100%        | 100%           |  |
| √ Helpdesk Diagnosis                                      | 100%        | 100%           |  |
| ✓ System Response   | 100%        | N/A            |  |
| ✓ Batch Completion  | 100%        | N/A            |  |
| ✓ Training Environment Availability                       | 100%        | 100%           |  |
| ✓ Standard Report Response                                | 100%        | 100%           |  |
| ✓ Security Incident Response                              | 100%        | 100%           |  |
| ✓ Disaster Recovery Response                              |             | 100%           |  |
| ✓ ForgeRock   | 100%        | 100%           |  |
| ✓ Local Repair Services                                   |             | 100%           |  |
| * June metrics are still be reviewed by Consortium and QA |             |                |  |

| BenefitsCal SLAs Mar 2025 – June 2025 Deloitte  ✓ All Daily Transactions                         | Per                                     | formance<br>100%                |  |  |
|--|---|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Imaging SLAs Apr 2025 – Jun 2025 Hyland Solutions  | D                                       | erformance                      |  |  |
| ✓ Monthly Uptime   | Г                                       | 100%                            |  |  |
| <ul><li>✓ Monthly Page Views</li></ul>   |   | 99.36%                          |  |  |
|  |   |                                 |  |  |
| Monthly Database Transa  | CTIONS                                  | 99.98%                          |  |  |
| ✓ Brainware Processing   |   | 99.87%                          |  |  |
| > Technical Resource Response Time 1 (total)   |   |                                 |  |  |
| Technical Resource Response  | onse Time                               | 1 (total)                       |  |  |
| Onshore/Offshore Me SFY24-25   | trics                                   |                                 |  |  |
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| Onshore/Offshore Me<br>SFY24-25  BenefitsCal Hours  CalSAWS Hours  CalSAWS Cost of Rework        | Onshore % Onshore % Onshore %           | Offshore %  55% 39%  Offshore % |  |  |
| Onshore/Offshore Me<br>SFY24-25  BenefitsCal Hours CalSAWS Hours  CalSAWS Cost of Rework  R25.03 | Onshore % 0.61%                         | Offshore % 39% Offshore % 1.81% |  |  |
| Onshore/Offshore Me<br>SFY24-25  BenefitsCal Hours  CalSAWS Hours  CalSAWS Cost of Rework        | Onshore % 45% 61% Onshore % 0.61% 1.23% | Offshore %  55% 39%  Offshore % |  |  |

# Transition Update



#### Infrastructure Transition

Recently Completed and Future Transitions



- Transition Complete
- Transition of custom application components transitioned June 1, 2025
- SaaS and hosting services continue to be provided by Hyland



- Infrastructure transitioned February 1, 2025
- Application and remaining services transitioned July 11, 2025
- Remaining Transition Call Summarization
  (Gen AI) on July 31, 2025



- Transition Complete
- Ping Identity formerly known as ForgeRock
- Infrastructure transitioned February 1, 2025
- Transition of custom application components transitioned June 2, 2025

## M&E Transition-In Progress

As of 7/9/2025



#### Release 25.09 [75% Complete]

- JS/RJS Design & Build: Complete (15 SCRs)
- JS/RJS Test: In-Progress (7/7 test script creation complete, 0/7 testing complete)

#### Release 25.11 and 25.11.XX

- Release 25.11: 17 SCRs: 6 expedited approved, 3 in approval, rest in design.
- Release 25.12.22 (May Revise): Design ongoing for 2 Medi-CAL/CalHEERS SCRs; policy finalized 6/30/25; 4 of 5 Risk 317 mitigation steps complete, 1 on track.

#### CalHEERS 26.02 and 26.06

- Release 26.02: JADs in progress for SCRs to finalize designs.
- Release 26.06: Pre-JADs in progress for SCRs to finalize requirements; scope under discussion with CalHEERS.

#### Other Updates

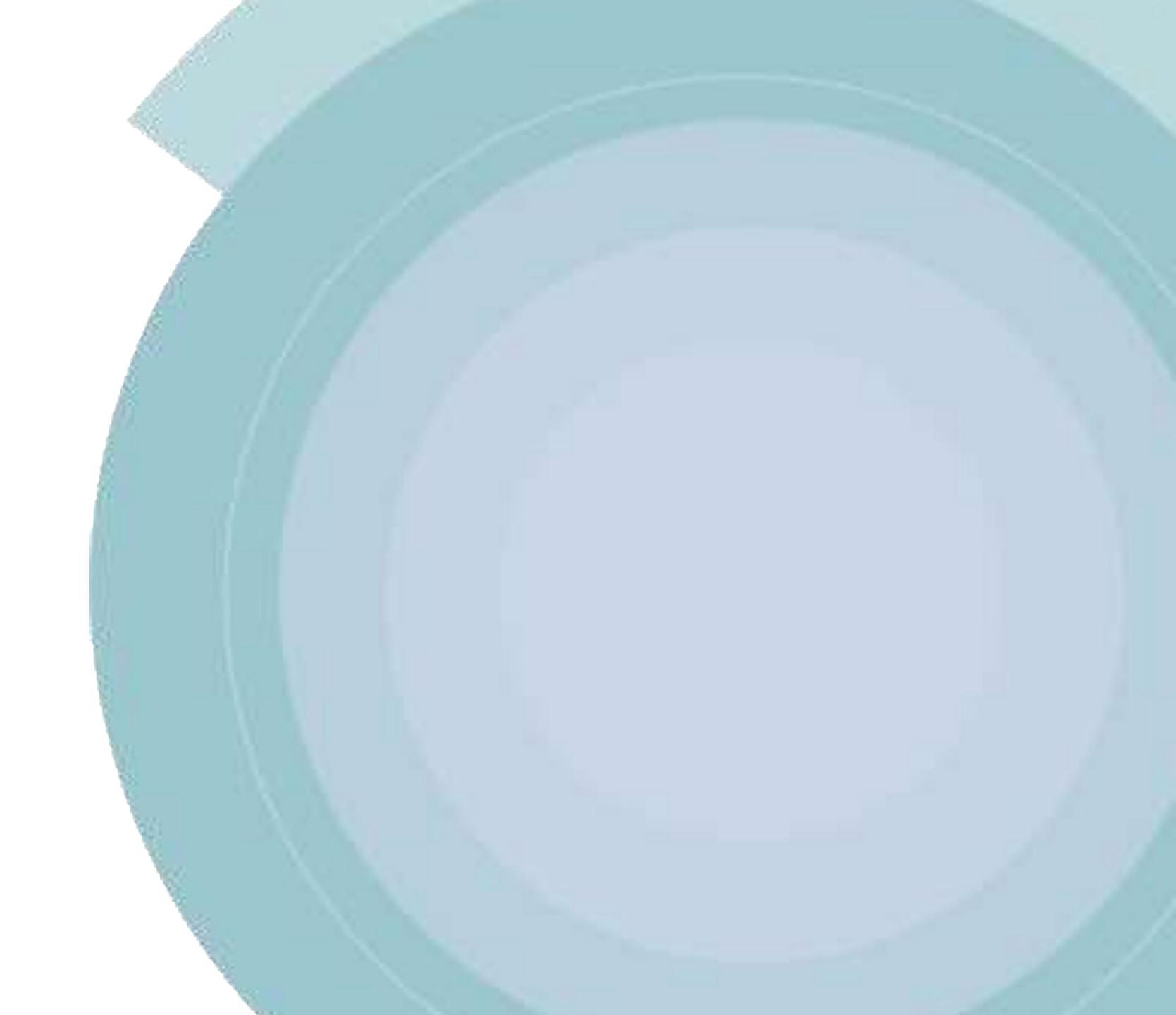
- Architecture & Innovation: Assessing business component improvements and innovations; Annual Strategic Plan development, including business priorities, iterative planning for strategy optimizing resources, and improving service alignment to JPA strategic objectives.
- **Security:** SSP draft in progress; 15% of control responses complete.
- Deliverables & Policy/Legislative: Ongoing review/submission of deliverables, SIRFRAs, SCERFRAs, CPOs, and Premise Items.

4 = Behind less than 15 days = Behind Greater than or = to 15 days





# ICT Status Update



## ICT Update

Progress to date

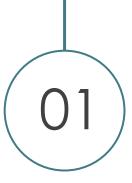


- Provide executive level oversight and ensure alignment of ICT efforts
- Ryan Bishop (R3)
   has agreed to
   serve as Executive
   Sponsor
- Coordinate with CWDA, DHCS & CDSS
- Analyze Sending County Requirements for Forms/Images
- Standardize Business Processes
- Share Best Practices
- Identify potential enhancements
- Update ICT Protocol

- Job Aid (24.11), WBT (24.11) and Quick Guide updates (done)
- Future CalSAWS Learning Exchange (CLE) session-ICT/Duplicate Persons
   Feb 26 (AM/PM)

& Feb 27, 2025

- DHCS/CDSS reviews ICT Protocol (done)
- Confirm Final Draft version of Protocol to be shared with Workgroup (done)
- Update ICT Protocol Document with a workgroup-defined process (underway)
- QA/CE teams to conduct analysis of initial ICT Focus Group's feedback to map actions taken in response, if indicated. (done)



Identify Executive Sponsor



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Convene Workgroup





Training





ICT Protocol





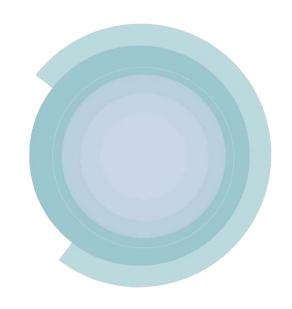
Mapping Feedback to Functionality/
Resources



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#### CalSAWS ICT Protocol Document

CIT # 0053-25



The ICT Protocol document was completed by the ICT Workgroup in March and final review took place throughout April. The ICT Protocol document was published on 5/01/2025 via CIT #0053-25-CalSAWS Inter County Transfer (ICT) Protocol. Counties should review, update and train impacted staff who touch the ICT process in any way on the ICT Protocol which was developed and approved by the 58 counties, CWDA, and the state.



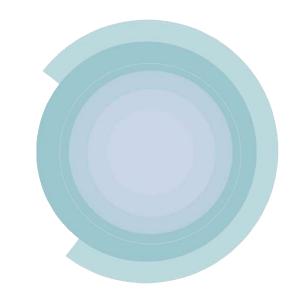
Path to the CalSAWS ICT Protocol document:

CalSAWS Web Portal > CRFIs & CITs > CalSAWS Information Transmittals (CIT) > 2025 > CIT 0053-25

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#### CalSAWS ICT Workgroup

Workgroup Member Feedback



"Participating in this workgroup was awesome! We covered a lot of the pain points and got to a good place."

"It was nice to collaborate with other county workgroup members and the state too. We look forward to a smoother road for out ICTs."

Daisy & Bobbi did a great job keeping us on track!



"The ICT Protocol should help counties to approach the ICT process in a consistent and more efficient way."

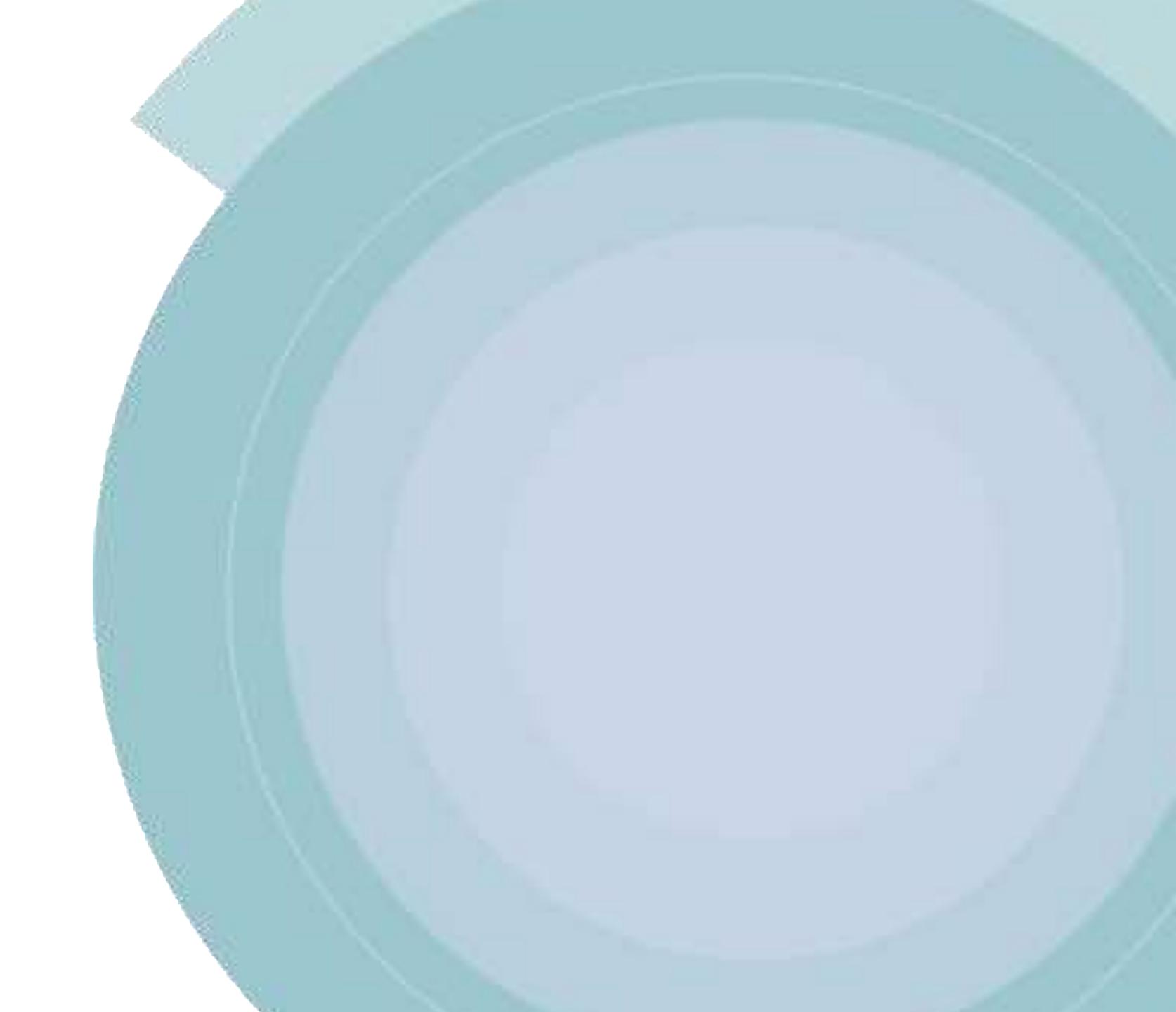
"CalSAWS and counties did an excellent job in engaging stakeholders, facilitating, and providing knowledge and expertise to streamline the ICT Protocol document." – CDSS CalWORKs

### ICT Update- Next Steps

- Hand off document to ICT Committee to take ownership for maintenance of ICT Protocol- End of April 2025
- Pulse check to occur 6 months out in the ICT Committee to fine-tune the ICT protocol document, if needed. Target- November 2025

**Thanks** County Regional ICT experts and state stakeholders for your collaboration in revamping the ICT Protocol to be a Power of 58 work product.

# CalSAWS Procurement Updates



## Procurement Timeline

#### Key Procurement Tasks

|    | QA Procurement Event  | Dates                               |
|----|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1  | RFP Development   | December 11, 2024 – April 14, 2025  |
| 2  | Consortium Review and Approvals   | April 15 – 23, 2025                 |
| 3  | State Review and Approvals  | April 29 – May 30, 2025             |
| 4  | Federal Review and Approvals  | June 4 – August 5, 2025             |
| 5  | Release RFP   | August 11, 2025                     |
| 6  | Conduct Bidder's Conference   | August 19, 2025                     |
| 7  | Bidder Question and Answer Period   | August 11 – September 2, 2025       |
| 8  | Consortium Publishes Final Q&A and RFP Addendum                                   | September 16, 2025                  |
| 9  | Proposals Due   | October 20, 2025                    |
| 10 | Evaluate Compliance, Firm Qualifications, Business and Price Proposals, and BAFOs | October 21, 2025 – May 27, 2026     |
| 11 | Prepare and Approve Vendor Selection Report                                       | May 28 – July 1, 2026               |
| 12 | Publish Notice of Intent to Award and VSR   | July 2, 2026                        |
| 13 | Contract Negotiations   | July 7 – 15, 2026                   |
| 15 | State Contract Approval   | July 20 – August 19, 2026           |
| 16 | Federal Contract Approval   | August 20 – October 20, 2026        |
| 17 | Contingency Period  | October 21 – November 13, 2026      |
| 18 | JPA BOD Approval  | November 20, 2026                   |
| 19 | Contract Start  | December 1, 2026                    |
| 20 | Transition-In Period (2 Months)   | December 1, 2026 – January 29, 2027 |

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