

MESC 2025  
Detailed Day at a Glance

MONDAY - AUGUST 11, 2025							
BREAKFAST							
8:00-10:00	New to MESC	MTA Governance Board			Workshop-HSITAG		
9:30-10:30	Workshop-CME1 APD Training	Workshop-CMS2-MESH Training	Workshop-PointClickCare			Workshop-Accenture	
12:00-1:00	LUNCH						
1:00-1:40	Welcome to MESC						
1:40-2:40	Keynote: Dan Harris						
2:40-3:00	BREAK						
3:00-4:30	CMS Opening Sessions						
4:30-6:30	MESC Welcome Reception - Exhibit Hall						
TUESDAY - AUGUST 12, 2025							
BREAKFAST							
7:00-8:30						All State	
8:30-10:00	BREAK - VISIT THE EXHIBIT HALL / DEDICATED MEETING TIME						
10:00-10:40							
10:40-11:30	1-1: Alabama MES Modernization Program (AMMP): From Vision to Reality-Mason Tanaka, Alabama	2-1: Achieving HTRUST Certification: Strengthening Security and Compliance in Georgia's Medicaid Enterprise Systems-Wil Monahan, Georgia	3-1: How NM's Data Services Modernization is Doing the Impossible-Transforming Data into Action-Paula Morgan, New Mexico; Nick Anetakis, Amazon Web Services; Sandeep Kapoor, HealthTechSolutions	IS-01-EY	IS-02: ACENTRA	SESSION: (CMS-1)	4-1: Our Notice Equity Journey: Enhancing Member Experience through Integrated Eligibility and Enrollment-Sheila Babin, Massachusetts; Jessica Perez-Rossello, Massachusetts; Ryan Slobin, Massachusetts;
11:30-11:50	BREAK						
11:50-12:40	5-1: Modernizing Provider Credentialing: Lessons from Ohio's Centralized Approach: Angela Caga, Ohio; Valerie Duckett, MAXIMUS; Howard Lange, MAXIMUS; Paula Wales, MAXIMUS	6-1: AI Readiness in State Medicaid- Challenges, Opportunities, and the Path Forward-Mason Tanaka, Alabama; Jessica Perez-Rossello, Massachusetts; Nathan Singer, Oregon; Hatem Ghafir, Alvarez & Marsal	1-2: Transitioning to the Cloud and Strategies for Cloud Consolidation: A Panel Discussion-Som Khot, Florida; Mike Barabe, Washington; James Kirkwood, New York; Vignesh Srinivasan, Amazon Web Services	IS-03-CONDUENT	IS-04: Carahsoft Technology Corp.	SESSION: (CMS-2)	2-2: To the Next Generation & Beyond: Ohio's Journey to Transform Medicaid in Service of Members and Providers-Jim Tasse, Ohio
12:40-1:40	LUNCH						
1:40-2:30	3-2: Igniting Transformation: Building a Trusted, Data-Driven Culture through Enterprise Data Services (EDS)-Gary D. Parker, Alabama; Bryce Barker, Alabama	4-2: Modernizing the Digital Front Door: Streamlining Cross-Program Enrollment with Serve Nebraska-Tressa Hunt, Nebraska	5-2: Fighting Fraud: Insights from Illinois' Internally Developed FWA Early Warning System-Wei-Shin Wang, Illinois; Jon DeShazo, NTTDATA	IS-05-OPTUM	IS-06: KPMG	6-2: Tackling Medicaid Operational Challenges with Cloud and Generative AI- Jason Eberhardt, Wisconsin	1-3: Massachusetts Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS)- Trip to Modernization-Sheila Babin, Massachusetts; Renee Wahington, Massachusetts; Mary Page, Gainwell Technologies
2:30-3:10	BREAK - VISIT THE EXHIBIT HALL / DEDICATED MEETING TIME						
3:10-4:00	6-3: Realizing the Potential and Understanding the Impacts-Exploring Machine Learning Opportunities to propel MassHealth's Mission Forward-John Boney, Massachusetts	3-3: Driving Data Quality Excellence in Medicaid: TennCare's Critical Data Elements Process and Metrics Dashboard- Andrei Dumitrescu, Tennessee; Nitchiko Berugoda, KPMG	4-3: Advancing the Performance of IE&E Systems-Lessons Learned from State Government Leaders-Stephani Becker, Illinois; Jennifer Harp, Kentucky; Lisa Lee, Kentucky; Kristin Sparks, CSG	IS-07-AWS	IS-08: IBM	5-3: Brewing Up Better TPL Solutions: Lessons from Milwaukee's Beer Industry- Kaci Powers, Michigan; Alaina Ross, Michigan	6-4: Unleashing the Power of Generative AI on Care Planning in Healthcare-Mason Tanaka, Alabama; Andy Pittman, Microsoft
4:00-6:00	MESC 2025 Poster Session - Exhibit Hall						
WEDNESDAY- AUGUST 13, 2025							
BREAKFAST							
7:00-9:00							
9:00-9:50	1-4: T-MSIS 101 for Policy & Project Staff: Tonya Jenkins, Delaware; Andy Scheiner, Nebraska; Zana Stephenson, Missouri	2-3: What "Brat" You Here? A Demo on how the TN APD 'Sausage' is Made using Automation-Anders Rosen, Tennessee; Clayton McKenzie, Tennessee; Raichon Morand, Tennessee	3-4: Data-Driven Evaluation of Pediatric Screening Policy: WA's Approach to Reimbursement Enhancement-Eli Baratz, Washington; Stuart Sanderson, Washington; Chynyl Wu, Washington	IS-09: POINTCLICK	IS-10: MAXIMUS	4-4: Reimagining Medicaid Eligibility: Emerging Technology Solutions for Agencies and Applicants-Melissa Wolf, Missouri; Justin Hyde, LexiaNexis; Lexi Gervis, Sellers Dorsey; Jerry Jessee, Sellers Dorsey	5-4: Defending Integrity: Tackling Fraud and eliminating waste with data insights and precision-Yvette Casey, Tennessee; Cindi Furlough, Tennessee; Amina Popovich, Deloitte; Mageah Giri, NTTDATA
9:50-10:30	BREAK - VISIT THE EXHIBIT HALL / DEDICATED MEETING TIME						
10:30-11:20	6-5: The AI Leap: Elevating Member Services to New Heights-Kim Hagan, Tennessee; Everton Heron, Tennessee; Angela Turner, Tennessee	1-5: Medicaid and IT Agencies: Modernization & Operational Partners During Medicaid Uncertainty-Sheila Babin, Massachusetts; Kenneth Gagne, New Hampshire; Henry Lipman, New Hampshire; Hatem Ghafir, Alvarez & Marsal	2-4: Driving Projects with Data and Dashboards at TennCare-Raichon Morand, Tennessee	IS-11: SALESFORCE	IS-12: SNOWFLAKE	SESSION: (CMS-3)	3-5: Take a load off: How Hawaii is reducing MCO compliance burden with innovation and human-centered design-Tonya Lowery St. John, Hawaii; John Campbell, Optum; Brian Labus, Public Consulting Group
11:20-11:40	BREAK						
11:40-12:30	PSTG-1	6-6: AI-Enabled Compliance Monitoring: Contract Oversight for Managed Care Organizations-Matt Mardorff , Deloitte; Ramona Chakka Pereira, Deloitte	1-6: Navigating the CMS Certification Lifecycle: From Project Initiation to Full Certification-Shelley Dimick, Vermont; Renee Taylor, Vermont; Ben Deifik, CSG; Nick McNeill, Deloitte; LaTivia Tipton, CSG (moderator)	IS-13: ACCENTURE	IS-14: SOFHEON	SESSION: (CMS-4)	2-5: Maximizing Medicaid Efficiency: The Critical Role of Health Information Exchanges-Kristen Challacombe, Arizona; Chris Underwood, Colorado; Melissa Kotrys, Contexture; Patrick Gordon, UHC
12:30-1:30	LUNCH						
1:30-2:20	3-6: Transforming California Medicaid into a Data-Driven Program: Three Ambitious Initiatives-Linette Scott, California	5-5: Transform Coordination of Benefits (COB): Innovative Approaches to Moving COB/TPL Upstream for Maximum Savings: Michelle Adams, North Dakota; Leah Chapman, Gainwell Technologies; Seana Ferris, Gainwell Technologies	6-7: Planning for the Future: Puerto Rico Medicaid Program's AI Roadmap Development-Carlos Carrasquillo Rios, Puerto Rico; Alexandra Nardo, BerryDunn	IS-15: GDIT	IS-16: INFOSYS	SESSION: (CMS-5)	ACENTRA SESSION
2:20-3:00	BREAK - VISIT THE EXHIBIT HALL / DEDICATED MEETING TIME						
3:00-3:50	1-7: Colorado's Medicaid Enterprise Solution (CMES) Procurement Experience: Insights and lessons learned from the Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) Process- Kristen Lindblom, Colorado; Scott Lindblom, Colorado; Brian Hanley, edifecs; Kevin Hutchinson, Optum	2-6: Reducing Silos to Enhance Operational Efficiency and Foster Collaboration-Richard Ferrari, Missouri; Travis West, Missouri; Beth Van Horn, CSG	3-7: Transforming Rural Healthcare Access Through Predictive Analytics: Wyoming's Data-Driven Approach to Medicaid Resource Allocation-Deanna Hebert, Wyoming; Timothy Caswell, Wyoming	IS-17: LEXIS NEXIS	IS-18: PROGRESS	5-6: Re-Use in Action: How Washington Leveraged Modular Systems to Strengthen Program Integrity-Mike Barabe, Washington; Lou McDermott, Washington; Ronna Cole, Washington; Heidi Robbins-Brown, Acentra	6-8: Avoiding AI Landmines in Medicaid: What Worked, What Didn't, and What We've Learned-Eng Tan, Automated Health Solutions
THURSDAY - AUGUST 14, 2025							
BREAKFAST							
7:00-9:00							
9:00-9:50	1-8: Good Procurement Practices Driving Success in a Complex Environment- Anthony Flot, Arizona; Elizabeth Pitman, Arkansas	2-7: Georgia Pathways to Coverage: Putting Medicaid Work-Related Activity Requirements to Work-Grant Thomas, Georgia; Jeff Burke, Deloitte	6-9: From Ideation to Execution: AI Community of Practice (CoP) and Governance in Medicaid Innovation- Jessica Perez-Rossello, Massachusetts	IS-19: GAINWELL	IS-20: SERVICENOW	SESSION: (CMS-6)	1-9: "Crawl, Walk, Run": Georgia's Accelerated MES Modernization Framework-Craig Golden, Georgia; Gregg Dunning, NorthHighland
9:50-10:10	BREAK						
10:10-11:00	2-8: Strategic Modernization: Enhancing Operational Excellence and Compliance in Medicaid-Nick Havens, Wisconsin; Parrisi Steinbrecher, Colorado; Lisa Schilling, Gainwell Technologies	2-9: Leveraging Adobe AEM as an Enterprise Solution for WINGS Medicaid Modules and WES: Enhancing Correspondence Management and Cost Efficiency-Deanna Hebert, Wyoming	1-10: Crafting Modernization Success: Unlock Insights from NC's Pharmacy Module Implementation-Karimah Ali, North Carolina; Sarah Gregosky; North Carolina; John Matto, North Carolina	IS-21: SAS	IS-22: GOOGLE	SESSION: (CMS-7)	5-7: Arizona's Data-Driven Strike Against Provider Fraud-Kristen Challacombe, Arizona; Nilay Patel, Acentra
11:00-11:20	BREAK						
11:20-12:00	CLOSING SESSION						