### NASTAD Medicare Technical Assistance

### TA modalities:

- Webinars and trainings
- Publications (fact sheets, issue briefs)
- Individual TA requests from RWHAP programs



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#### Individual state TA:

- Complex eligibility issues
- Coordination with other types of insurance
- Immigration-related concerns
- RWHAP insurance assistance and wraparound services
- Maximizing financial assistance (Medicaid-Medicare dual eligibility, Medicare Savings Programs, Part D low-income subsidies)
- Provider-administered ARV medications (including long-acting injectables)



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### Unwinding Medicaid PHE Requirements

# The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) is expected to end no earlier than mid-January.

- States are prohibited from involuntarily disenrolling clients during PHE
  - Exception: "not validly enrolled" or moving out of state
- Clients will maintain coverage until at least the end of the month in which the PHE ends

### Unwinding Medicaid PHE Requirements

- As many as 45 percent of Medicaid enrollees may lose coverage despite still being eligible
- Every Medicaid enrollee must complete a renewal
- If PHE is <u>not</u> extended again, and expires in mid-January of 2023:
  - States can begin sending renewal notices as early as December 2022
  - States can begin terminating coverage as early as February 1, 2023
  - States must finish processing all renewals and terminations within 14 months

# State Operational Plans for PHE Unwinding

- Each state Medicaid agency must develop operational plan for how it will process pending actions, including:
  - Timeline for completing all renewals
  - Approach for prioritizing renewals
  - Process for updating Medicaid info (by phone, online)
  - Outreach and communication strategies (e.g., text messaging, sample notices)



Georgetown Health Policy Institute's <u>50-State Unwinding Tracker</u> includes links (at the bottom of the page) to each state's posted materials.

# Preparing for PHE Unwinding

- Gather information about your state's plans for unwinding
  - Planning documents
  - Notices and other communications for providers, enrollees
  - New processes/process improvements
- Identify advocacy opportunities
  - Improving notices and communication plan
  - Medicaid public hearings
- Work with RW providers and other frontline organizations that directly interact with clients

# Preparing for PHE Unwinding

- Prepare clients for upcoming renewals
  - Outreach campaign update contact information with Medicaid, open all mail from Medicaid, submit requested information on time
- Build partnerships with organizations providing enrollment assistance in the community