

Nevada Public Option Implementation Design Session #2

Open Listening Session
December 22, 2021, 2-3 pm PT

Written Comments:

Participants may submit comments and questions through the **Zoom Q&A box**; all comments will be recorded and reviewed by the State. To submit questions or comments outside of today’s session, write to: **NVpublicoption@dhhs.nv.gov**

Spoken Comments:

Participants must “raise their hand” for Zoom facilitators to unmute them to share comments; the facilitators will notify participants of the appropriate time to volunteer feedback.

If you logged on via phone-only

Press “*9” on your phone to “raise your hand”

Listen for your phone number to be called by moderator

If selected to share your comment, please ensure you are “unmuted” on your phone by pressing “*6”

If you logged on via Zoom interface

Press “Raise Hand” in the “Reactions” button on the screen

If selected to share your comment, you will receive a request to “unmute;” please ensure you accept before speaking

Public Comment Opportunities

- Public comment will be taken during the meeting at designated times.
- Public comment will be limited to the total amount of time allocated for public comment on particular issues.
- Individuals will be recognized for up to three minutes and are asked to state their name and organizational affiliation at the top of their statements.
- Participants are encouraged to use the comment box to ensure all feedback is captured or email their comments to NVpublicoption@dhhs.nv.gov

- **Meeting Overview (5 minutes)**
- **Upcoming Design Session Topics and Key Questions for Stakeholders (10 minutes)**
- **Next Steps (5 minutes)**
- **Open Listening Session (40 minutes)**

Meeting Overview

Objective

The purpose of this meeting is to seek feedback from stakeholders on product design and priorities for a public option in the individual market and possibly small group market.



How to Engage

Share verbal comments today or in future design sessions

Submit questions or comments by writing to:
NVpublicoption@dhhs.nv.gov

Visit the public webpage for updates:
<https://dhhs.nv.gov/PublicOption/>



How Feedback Will be Incorporated

Feedback received by the public will then influence program development for subsequent design sessions.

The State is developing a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document which will address common questions from public comments.

The state encourages stakeholders to engage with their members and submit design questions and comments that will inform this process.

Design Session Schedule – Today is for Open Listening to Stakeholders

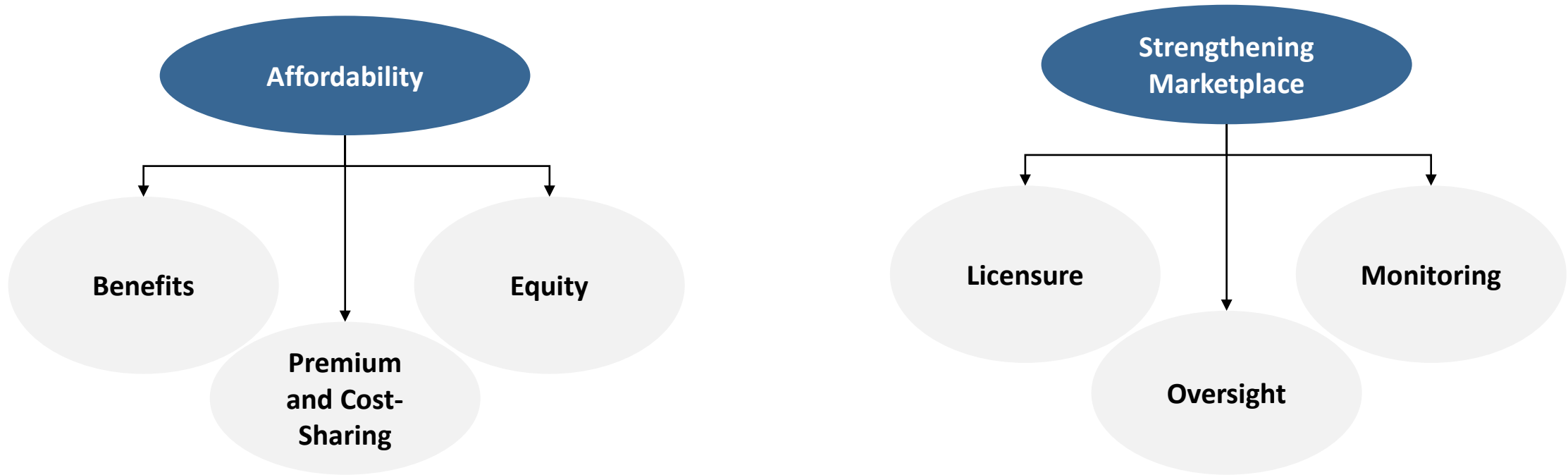
Today

Session #	Date	Focus
1	December 8 th 2-3 pm PT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goals and guiding principles Overview of legislation and 1332 waivers Overview of public option designs in other states
2	December 22 nd 2-3 pm PT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stakeholder priorities for the design of this public option (e.g., affordability, networks, access, provider reimbursement, etc.)
3	January 5 th 2-3 pm PT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Affordability: Cost-sharing and premiums Health plan rate-setting and review
4	January 13 th 1-2 pm PT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provider contracting and networks Value-based payment /cost containment
5	January 18 th 12-1 pm PT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefits Strengthening the individual and small group markets Licensure and oversight
6	January 28 th 1-2 pm PT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recap/open questions Next steps (actuarial analysis , subsequent opportunities for stakeholder feedback, waiver development)

Upcoming Design Session Topics and Key Questions for Stakeholders

Many Public Option Design Decisions are Interconnected

The Design Sessions are structured so that stakeholders can move through these decisions in an intentional, sequential manner.



Through this process, the State and stakeholders will consider more than pros and cons of options for each feature, since they interact in complex ways.

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Affordability Questions

Questions to Consider

- What specific population should the public option target (e.g., individual and small group markets, Marketplace-eligible but uninsured, undocumented residents, or by geography or age?)
- For that population, are reduced premiums or reduced cost-sharing (e.g., deductibles, co-pays) a greater barrier?
- Are there other affordability challenges that should be addressed (e.g., family glitch, rural counties)?
- How might the rate review process be used to provide State oversight and assistance in meeting premium reduction targets?

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Balancing Provider Contracting and Cost Control

Questions to Consider

- How should the State and health plans consider balancing robust provider participation with the stated premium reduction objectives?
- What tools will the State have to ensure plans and providers agree to fair rates?
- How do issues related to provider contracting (e.g., access and contracting) differ across rural and urban providers?
- Are there provider contracting and value-based care opportunities to improve equity, access, and culturally competent care? Are there successful models in Nevada?
- How might the State align its purchasing strategies, cost-controls, and value-based care between its Medicaid MCOs and Exchange initiatives?

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Benefits, Strengthening the Marketplace, and Licensure/Oversight

Questions to Consider

- Will the public option provide a set of benefits more comprehensive than QHPs?
- How will the state balance adding additional benefits with premium reduction targets?
- What additional policies might strengthen the State’s individual and small group market (e.g., reinsurance pool, financial and other reporting requirements, others)?
- How will oversight of the public option differ from oversight of other QHPs?

Next Steps

- Visit the Public Option webpage for regular updates: <https://dhhs.nv.gov/PublicOption/>
 - To submit questions or comments, write to NVpublicoption@dhhs.nv.gov
- Attend Design Session #3 on **Wednesday, January 5th at 2 pm PT**. This session will focus on:
 - Affordability: Premiums and Cost-sharing
 - Health Plan Rate-setting and Rate Review

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