

## METS Fall 2017 Release

*The METS Fall 2017 Release (17.3.1) deployed over the weekend of September 17, 2017. Below are highlights of the items included in the release, with key benefits noted for each item.*

### MMIS Interface (Includes Redesign)

Work towards the full redesign of the METS-MMIS Interface continues in the Fall Release. The redesign includes updating METS event messages or triggers from the current one generic message to distinct event messages, and the Fall Release includes the auto-renew message.

*Benefits: The creation of distinct event messages will allow the interface to more efficiently pass eligibility information between systems, reducing the risk for rejections or errors.*

*\*Phase 1 of a 'full replacement logic' fix and the MMIS Updates to MCRE billing functionality were held back from the Fall Release for additional testing. These MMIS-only and Integration Layer changes are expected to deploy later in September.\**

### Notices

Notices work in the Fall Release includes the incorporation of legislatively-mandated Estate Recovery language into the Need-to-Renew and Modified Need-to-Renew Notices as well as language changes and enhancements to these notices. In addition, other formatting and text fixes to the Need to Renew, Modified Need to Renew, and Auto Renew notices were made.

*Benefits: Providing clearer and more accurate information on notices, and ensuring that notices are generated correctly, helps to reduce consumer confusion and related calls to caseworkers.*

### Carrier Integration

Carrier Integration work in the Fall Release includes Phase 1 of the 1095-A with Enrollment Caps project, focused on 1095-A monthly and annual reporting, along with 834 EDI Fixes and Enhancements.

*Benefits: 1095-A with Enrollment Caps provides for accurate reporting of data to the IRS and consumers, while EDI Fixes & Enhancements improve operational processes and communication of consumer enrollment information between MNSure and insurance carriers.*

### **Trigger of Failure to Reconcile (FTR) via the Federal Hub**

The Trigger of FTR via Fed Hub work in the Fall Release implements new functionality that exchanges data with the federal hub service to help determine private program eligibility.

*Benefits: Utilizing updated annual tax return data from the IRS will help provide more accurate eligibility determinations for private program applicants.*

### **Defect Fixes**

The Fall Release includes defect fixes that address compliance and process issues, many related to notices and renewals. These defects were identified by a Project Team focused on resolving high priority defects that cause problems for consumers and workarounds for caseworkers.

*Benefits: Addressing defects that cause frequent issues for consumers and caseworkers will improve caseworker efficiency and overall program integrity.*

### **Periodic / Annual Work**

The Fall Release also includes Periodic / Annual work to update the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) rates for MinnesotaCare, IA, APTC & QHP; Application Updates; and Marketplace Setup changes needed in advance of Open Enrollment.

*Benefits: Periodic / Annual work ensures that regular and necessary updates and changes are made to provide consumers with the most accurate information when they apply for public programs or private health care coverage.*