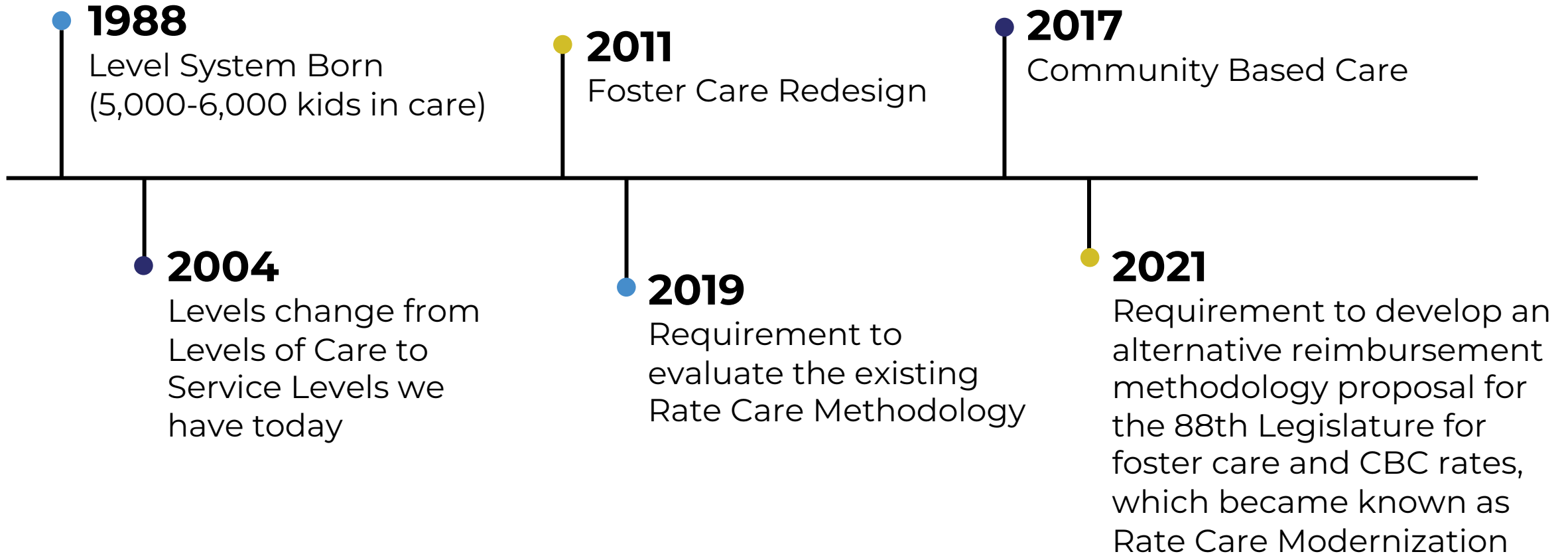


# Texas Child-Centered Care System T3C



# Background





- T3C is not about rebuilding the legacy system but designing a **new** foster care continuum and rate methodology that supports the success of CBC as it rolls out across the state. It goes hand in hand.
- Data Analysis, Research, and extensive stakeholder input contributed to the design of the T3C.
- Children's placements are defined by the services they need and the settings they will live in. DFPS/SSCC purchases the service package in the setting. Payment doesn't change. As long as a child needs that service package in that setting, payment remains the same.

# Key Components

**1** Universal Screening and Placement Process

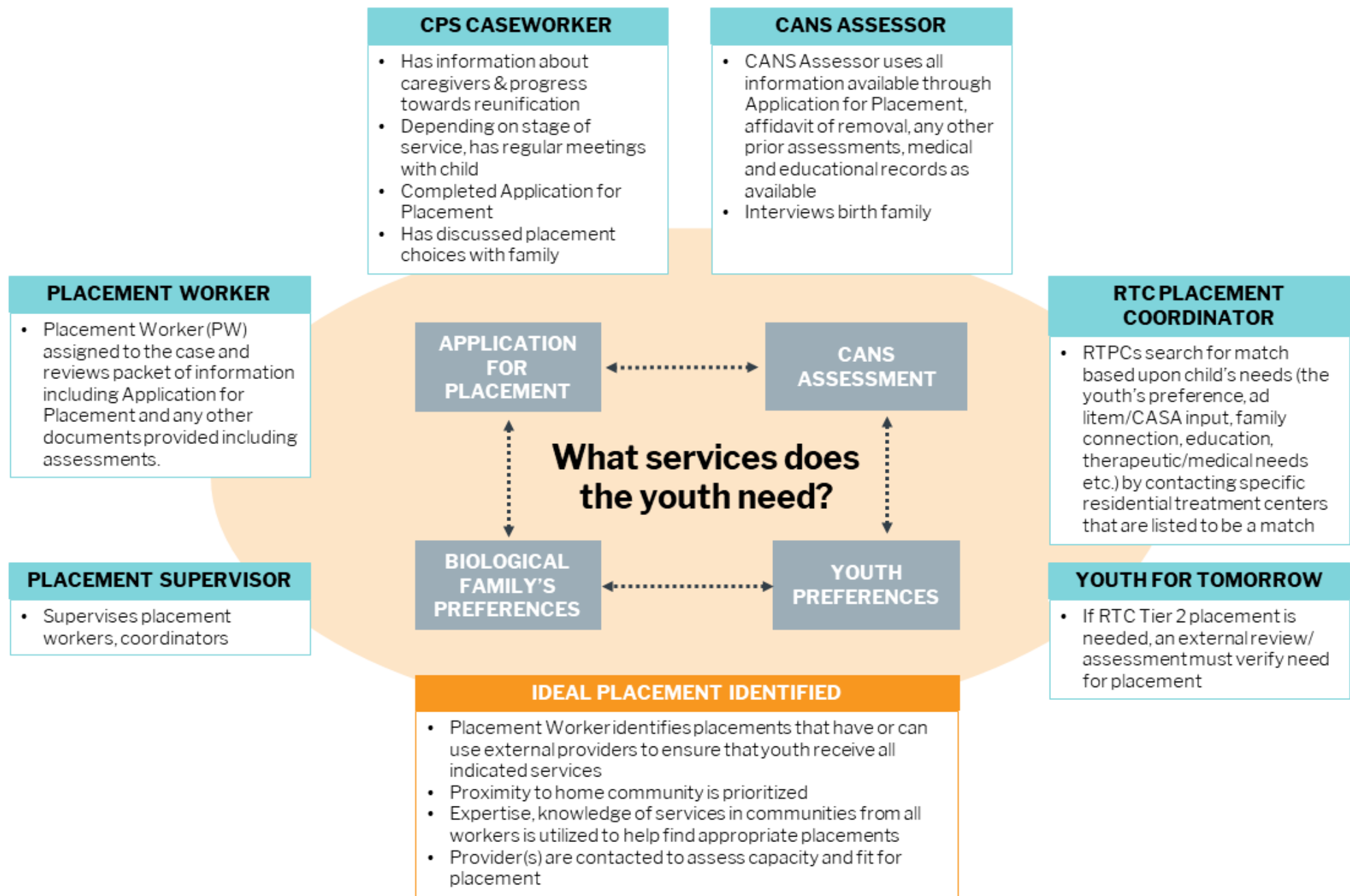
**2** Clearly Defined Service Packages

**3** Rates that align with the cost of care for services

**4** Continuous Quality Assurance and Improvement

**5** Provider Grants to prepare

**6** Implementation Timeline



# Foster Family Service Packages

## ***Home-based/Community Services***

Base Package (Child assigned one based package after assessment completed):

1. Basic Foster Family Care
2. Short-term Assessment/Stabilization Services
3. Services for Children & Youth with Complex Medical Needs of Who Have Been Deemed Medically Fragile
4. Treatment Foster Family Care Services
5. Intellectual Developmental Disability (IDD)/Autism Support Services
6. Sexual Aggression/Sex Offender Support Services
7. Mental & Behavioral Health Support Services
8. Human Trafficking Services
9. Substance Abuse Services

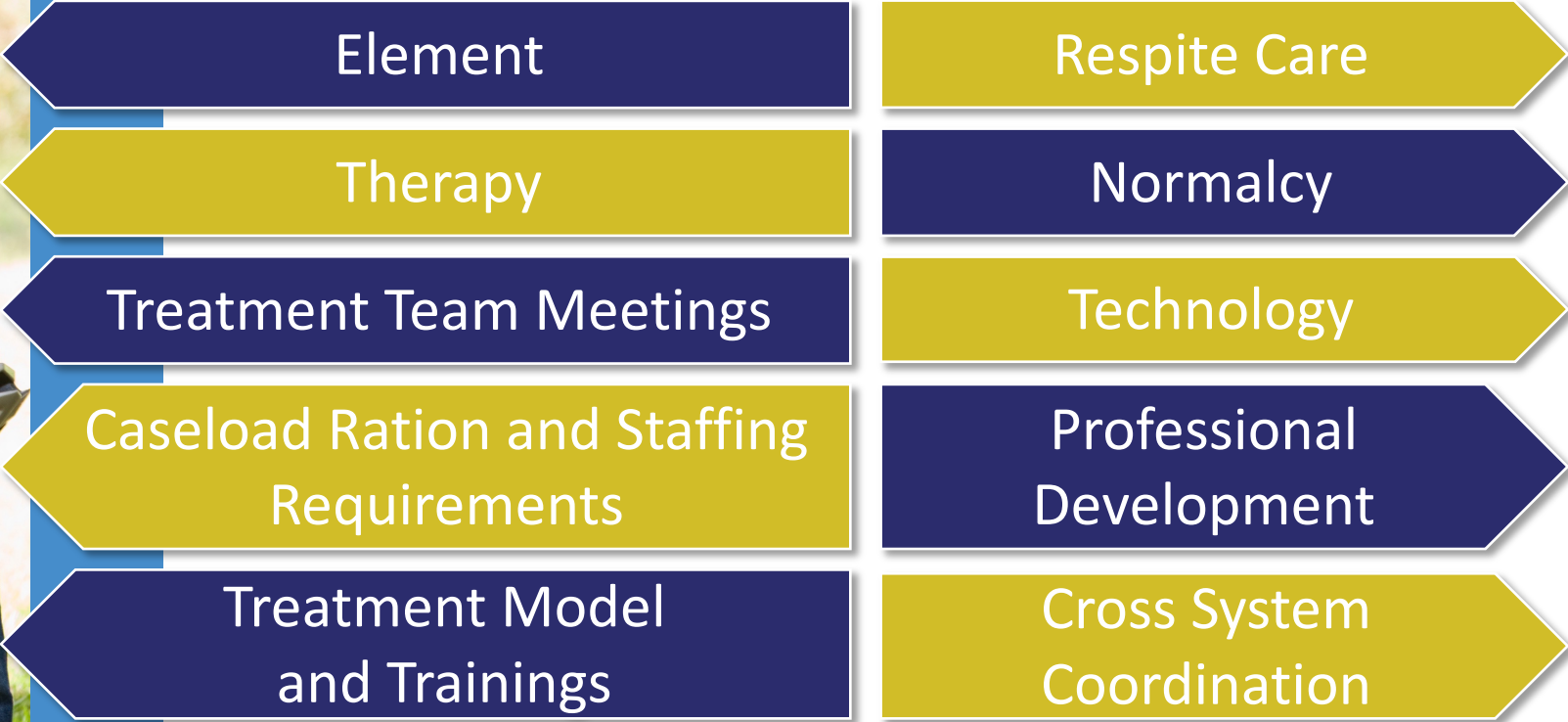
One or more of the following service add-ons:

- A. Transition Support Services for Youth & Young Adults 14 years and Older
- B. Support Services for Youth and Young Adults who are Pregnant or Parenting
- C. Kinship Add On for CPA Support Services

***There will be one daily rate associated with the child's base package, and then if applicable up to three of the add-ons attached to the daily rate.***



# Required Elements for Basic Care Foster Services *(not all inclusive)*



# General Residential Operations Service Packages

## ***Tier I: Facility-based Treatment Services (with exception of Basic Child-Care Operations & Emergency Stabilization/Assessment Care)***

1. Basic Child-Care Operation
2. Emergency Stabilization/Assessment Care
3. Services to support Children, Youth, and Young Adults with Complex Medical Needs to Support Community Transition
4. Services for Children, Youth, and Young Adults with Intellectual Developmental Disabilities (IDD)/Autism to Support Community Transition
5. Sexual Aggression and Sex Offender Treatment Services to Support Community Transition
6. Mental and Behavioral Health Treatment Services to Support Community Transition
7. Human Trafficking Services to Support Community Transition
8. Services to Support Community Transition for Youth and Young Adults who are Pregnant or Parenting
9. Substance Use Services to Support Community Transition



# General Residential Operations

## ***Tier II: Facility-based Stabilization Services***

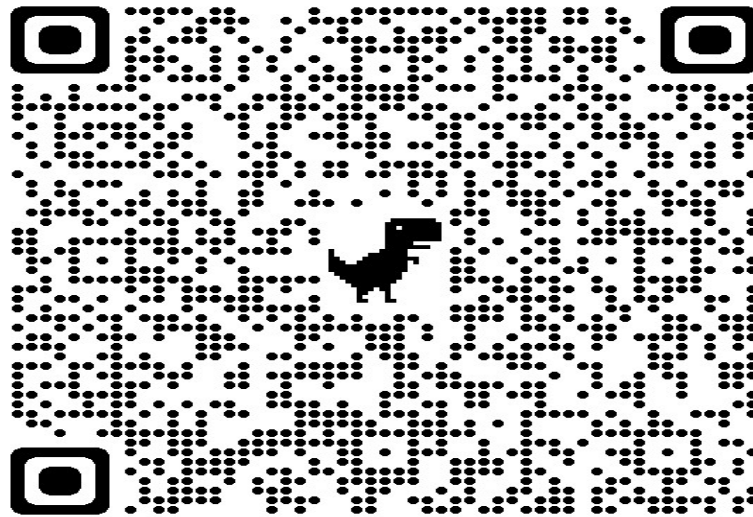
These services include all of the federally established requirements affiliated with a Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP) model inherent in the Family First Prevention Services Act.

Stabilization Service Programs in Tier II, will treat children, youth, and young adults with one or more of the following sub-acute needs:

- Aggression or defiance;
- Substance use disorders;
- Human trafficking victimization;
- Sexual aggression or who have been adjudicated a sexual offender;
- Complex medical needs; and
- Complex mental health needs to include suicidal and other self-harming behaviors.

# Blueprints

Look to [Foster Care Rate Modernization Report 2\\_2023](#) for more detailed information regarding each service package.



DFPS has indicated they will soon publish “blueprints” for each service package to support provider planning.

# FOSTER CARE PACKAGES

## Daily Rates

**Add Ons for Special Populations**

Kinship Care Support Services  
 \$38.22

Transition Support Services for 14+  
 \$37.39

Pregnant or Parenting Support Services  
 \$51.22

Service Model	Rate
Basic Foster Care	\$83.29
Short Term Assessment & Stabilization Services	\$150.40
Complex Medical Needs	\$187.80
Treatment Foster Family Care	\$328.41
Intellectual & Developmental Disability (IDD) /Autism Support Services	\$219.98
Sexual Aggression/Sex Offender	\$186.47
Mental & Behavioral Health Support Services	\$169.49
Substance Use Support Services	\$148.14
Human Trafficking Services	\$217.26

# GRO Tier I Daily Rates

Service Model	Rate
Basic Child Care Operation	\$270.80
Emergency Stabilization/Assessment Center	\$394.42
Services for Children, Youth and Young Adults with Complex Medical Needs	\$426.20
Services for Children, Youth and Young Adults with IDD/Autism	\$429.95
Human Trafficking Services	\$456.00
Services for Youth & Young Adults who are Pregnant or Parenting	\$382.23
Substance Use Services	\$389.67
Sexual Aggression/Sex Offender Services	\$340.59
Mental & Behavioral Health Treatment Services	\$467.55

# GRO Tier 2 Daily Rates

<b>Service Model</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Sexual Aggression & Behaviors	\$540.60
Aggression & Defiance	\$574.65
Complex Medical Needs	\$623.53
Complex Mental Health	\$583.33
Substance Use Disorders	\$633.02
Human Trafficking	\$642.02

# Continuous Quality Assurance & Improvement

T3C envisions a CQAI process at both the system level and the individual provider level.

## **System**

External to DFPS, this team will use data to ensure meaningful evaluation and continuous modifications that support improvement.

## **Individual Providers**

Must have technology that supports a CQAI process. TACFS will begin a webinar series on program evaluation and CQIA in January 2024.

# Provider Grants to prepare to serve

- Grants have been funded to account for training, IT, contract, cost reporting, staffing and other items associated with the changes that will need to be made.
- Each SSCC will receive a grant in the amount of \$350,000.
- Additionally, there is \$6M appropriation for each year of biennium for provider grants. No announcement has been made yet regarding the application process or requirements. However, we anticipate more news to come soon.

# Timeline

● **June 2023 – December 2024**  
Building Infrastructure and  
Provider Readiness

● **September 2027**  
Full Implementation

● **January 2025 – August 2027**  
Transition to new Service  
Packages and Contracts

**Refinement of System**



# Strategic Planning

Based on what you have heard so far....

What do you think are the some of the next steps your organization should take as you begin the T3C journey?

# Questions?

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