## Developing a Cross-Part Client Level Data System – The Minnesota Experience

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#### Learning Objectives

By the end of the session, participants will be able to:

- 1. Identify the project goals, objectives, scope, participants, outcomes, and present status of Minnesota's collaborative project to develop a secure shared Client Level Database.
- 2. Describe the importance of technical assistance and a Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) grant to the success of the project, and show how these resources were obtained.
- 3. Identify key lessons learned by project leaders and participants, and apply them to their own client level data collection projects.



## **Objectives**

- Describe Minnesota's project to develop a secure shared Client Level Database
- Describe how Technical Assistance and a SPNS grant supported the project
- Identify key lessons learned in Minnesota and apply them to your own client level data projects



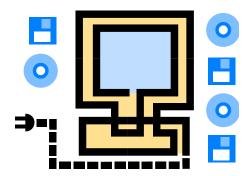
#### Improving Data Systems to Improve HIV Care



Providers and Consumers



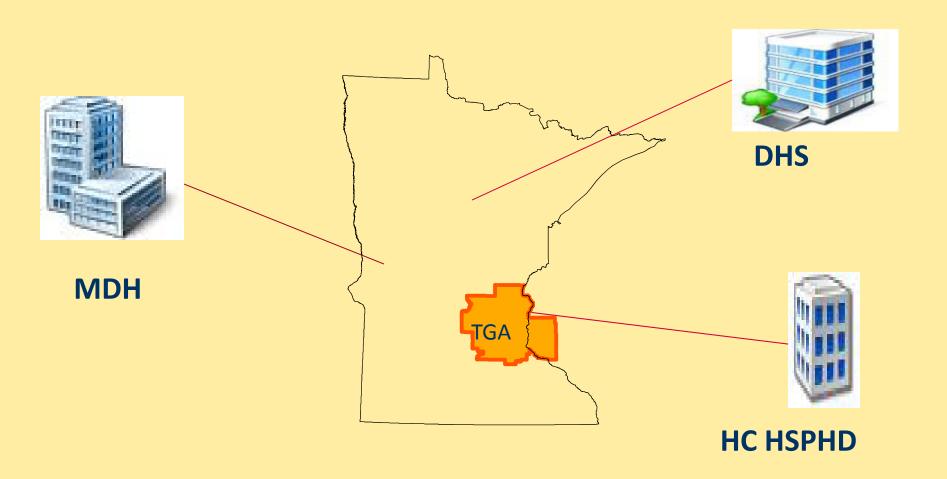
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Data System



## Working Together to Promote HIV Services for Minnesotans



#### Minnesota Ryan White Collaboration

- In addition to data collection:
  - Minnesota HIV Services Planning Council prioritizes and allocates both Part A and B funding
  - Part A and B grantees coordinate management of jointly-funded contracts—Ryan White care and services providers



## Why a Centralized Data System?

- FoxPro database was outdated and limiting
  - Grantees and providers did not have direct access to data
  - Problems with data quality
  - Very cumbersome for data analysis
- Plan to eventually integrate Outcomes Evaluation data collection
- Recommended by NQC TA provider

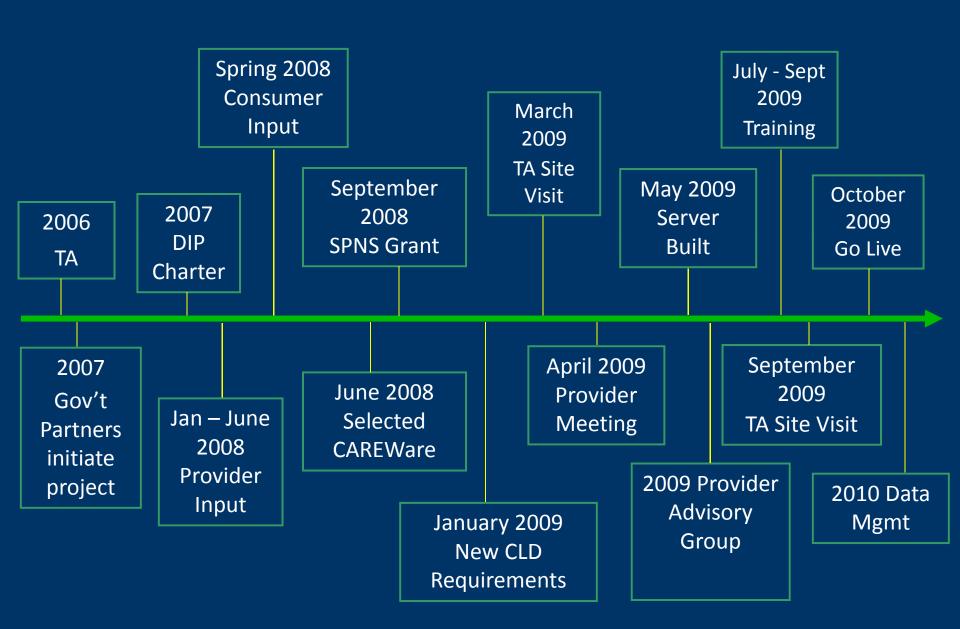






DIP: Data Improvement Project

#### **Minnesota DIP Timeline**



#### **DIP Partner Roles**

Role	НС	DHS	MDH
Project sponsor and facilitate DIP meetings	✓		
Champion project within organization	✓	✓	✓
Implementation planning	✓	✓	✓
Provider communications	✓	✓	✓
HRSA/HAB reporting requirements	✓	✓	✓
Contract with server host	✓		
Contract with MDH for system administration		✓	
Training for providers			✓
Help desk for providers			✓
Documentation			✓
System administration			✓
Data management			✓

## **Tools for Managing DIP**

- Project charter
- Consultant
- Timeline
- Monthly meetings
- Subcommittees
- Policies and procedures



## **Client Level Data Reporting**

- Planning for new HRSA/HAB client level data (CLD) requirements added to project in 2008
- Impacts:
  - Moved up implementation date
  - Increased provider and consumer questions about privacy protections



# Hearing from Providers and Consumers



## **Input from Providers**

- Telephone Interviews
- Focus Group
- Site Visits
- CAREWare Demo and Project Update



## **Provider Advisory Group**

- **Volunteer members from 8 agencies** 
  - Large clinician and CBO perspectives
  - Feedback on draft policies and procedures
  - Met with DIP members to discuss concerns
  - Advocated for clients

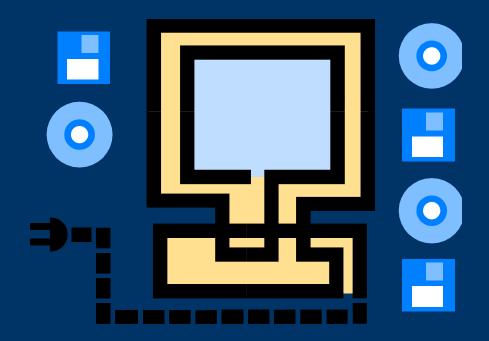


## **Input from Consumers**

- DHS Consumer Advisory Board
- Planning Council Community Voice Committee
- Mixed reactions:
  - Some concern with names being reported to MDH
  - Some concern with data being shared among providers
  - Benefit of not presenting same information to each provider



## **Data System**



## **Selection of Data System**

- Several data systems were considered
  - CAREWare
  - Provide Enterprise
  - ARIES
  - CTK



## **Selection of Data System**

- CAREWare was ultimately selected
  - Positive feedback from two providers already using CAREWare
  - HRSA-sponsored system / low cost
  - Ability to customize
  - Ability to import data from other systems



#### **Secure Central Server**

- Considered hosting by one of government partners
  - Each has complex IT system with multiple priorities
  - Choices limited by infrastructure
  - Complexity of managing budgets
  - Not set up to allow external access to servers
- Bids let for a contracted server host
  - Winning bid had experience hosting CAREWare
  - Web-based secure server built for Minnesota CAREWare exclusively



#### **SPNS Grant**

- Part A grantee applied in 2008
  - Improved project focus
  - Forced timelines
- Provider Readiness
  - Assessment of skills and existing hardware and software capacities
  - Cover some programming costs of providers with established CLD systems



#### **SPNS Grant**

#### Customization by jProg

- Minnesota-specific forms created in Form Designer
- Custom PDI templates
- Transformation utility

#### MDH

- Communication with jProg
- Tested customizations
- System documentation
- Provider training



## **Project Consultant**

- SPNS grant funded
- Conducted provider readiness assessments
  - Surveys
  - Interviews
  - Site visits
- **■** Facilitated provider input and communications
- Assisted with provider training



#### **Technical Assistance**

- HRSA/HAB approved TA provider Phillip Byrne
  - Denver experience informed Minnesota project
  - Assessed similarities and differences between two systems
  - Provided TA support via phone calls, email, and two site visits



## **Data Management**

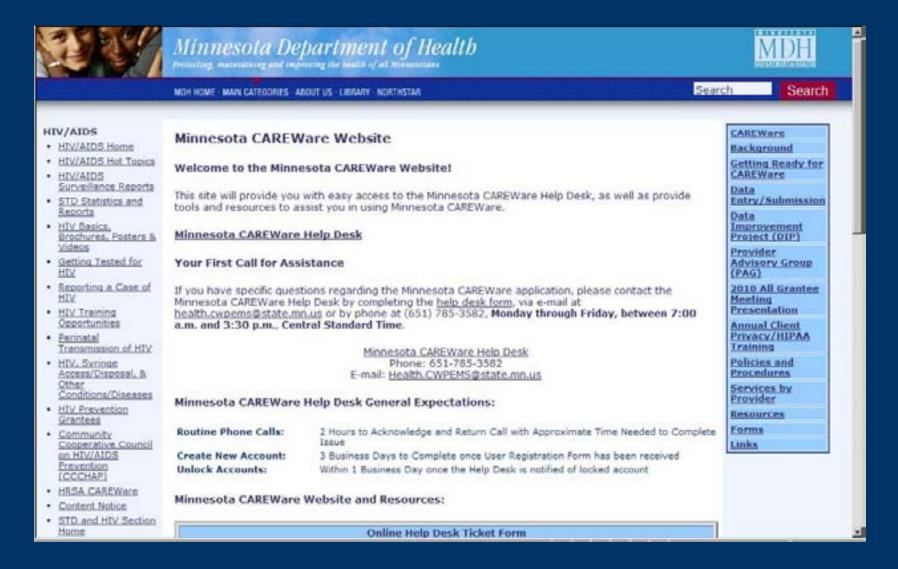


## **MN CAREWare Implementation**

- First half of 2009 data submitted via scannable forms or spreadsheets
- **CAREWare training for all providers, July Sept 2009**
- Minnesota CAREWare Help Desk Oct 1, 2009
- **Minnesota CAREWare went "live" on Oct 15, 2009**
- Ongoing testing and refining of data import process



#### Minnesota CAREWare on the Web



## **Scope of Minnesota CAREWare**

**22** total providers have data in Minnesota CAREWare

# Providers	Part A	Part B	ADAP	Part C	Part D	State
5	✓					
3		✓				
3	✓	✓				
2	✓	✓		✓		
1	✓	✓			✓	
2						✓
1	✓					✓
1		✓				✓
3	✓	✓				✓
1	✓	✓	✓			✓

#### Successes

- "Real time" data
- Improved ability to de-duplicate clients
- Providers: direct access to data and reports
- Grantees: independent reports and analysis
- RDR / RSR much easier



## Challenges

- **■** Timeline for implementation
- Increased system administration time during implementation phase
- Data import process



#### **Lessons Learned**

- Anticipate Provider Response to Change
  - Communication
  - Apply Dynamic Systems Change concepts
  - Less customization
- Direct Data Entry vs. Provider Data Import



## **Next Steps**

- CAREWare training for "super users"
- **CAREWare training on creating custom reports**
- Learning and using performance measures in CAREWare



## **Next Steps**

- Technical assistance to evaluate project and recommend improvements
- More in-depth analyses of data
- Increased data quality assurance efforts
- Transition from DIP Workgroup to Client-Level Data Workgroup in September 2010



## **Questions?**





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