



# Solutions Session

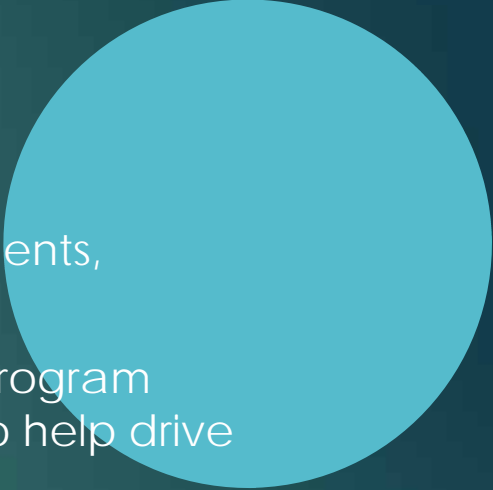
DEFINING A PATH FORWARD

# Communications

- ▶ Ongoing and planned communications process
- ▶ Letting the EPM's know what is going on
- ▶ Appointing a lead for facilitating a two way dialogue
- ▶ Meetings and calls that update what is going on in each state
- ▶ Details on Partner Programs and scope of existing and future programs
- ▶ A feedback loop
- ▶ Establishing a voice for the state EPM's

# Transparency



- ▶ Re-establishing trust
  - ▶ Criteria for which programs get funded and approved
  - ▶ Want better / more transparency ( what are the requirements, process for the "partners, vendors to get the money
  - ▶ Need to develop a long-term strategy to help drive the program rather than just developing annual needs lists – strategy to help drive activities across years
  - ▶ An HQ/Region/Consortia/Partner workgroup will meeting within 30 – 60 days to create action plan for these and other priorities action items to including how do we create more visibility and more momentum
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# The work process

- ▶ Needs to be agreed to with input from all participants
- ▶ Takes time let's get started earlier so the process needs to be defined and communicated
- ▶ Develop more national programs that apply to all
- ▶ Specific outcomes and details on the partnerships and what they provide
- ▶ Needs to include an implementation plan that involves the states and the partners not just a prioritization and funding request
- ▶ What are the definitions for who works with who when?
- ▶ How will the partners and the states generate mutual support and benefit

# Moving forward in Partnership



- ▶ Embracing a new direction and cooperative environment
- ▶ Among the various partnership elements there are some partnerships that need to be strengthened and need to improve. Regions and Consortia, consortia and other partners, other State partners and regions/HQ, etc.
- ▶ Some items needed are training, education, printing, travel and help with URM. Remember that each state is different one size does not fit all.
- ▶ Need better support from some of the regions reps. Again some where lots of hats and don't put the attention needed in the EQ programs as they should, or they don't report back up the information. Don't feel the respect is there.