

# THE WEST VIRGINIA / US VIRGIN ISLANDS PARTNERSHIP

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# Agenda

- United States Virgin Islands
- History of the Partnership
- Stakeholders Involved
- Benefits to U.S. Virgin Islands



# United States Virgin Islands Statistics

- Three main islands totaling 136 square miles (St. Thomas, St. Croix, and St. John)
- Population - 106,000
- Economy – Tourism, Petroleum Refining, light manufacturing
- Medicaid Population – 27,000
- Providers - 592
- Claims volume - 100,00 per year

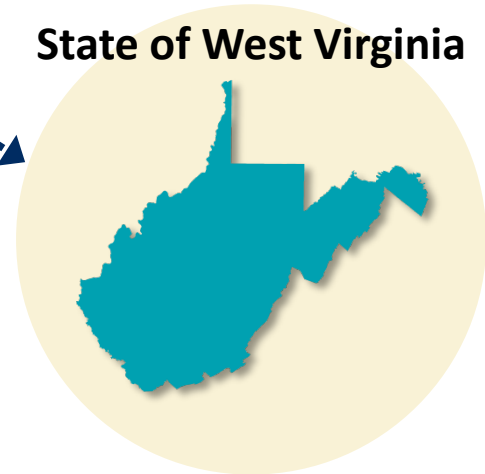


# Stakeholders

Territory of the U.S.  
Virgin Islands



State of West Virginia



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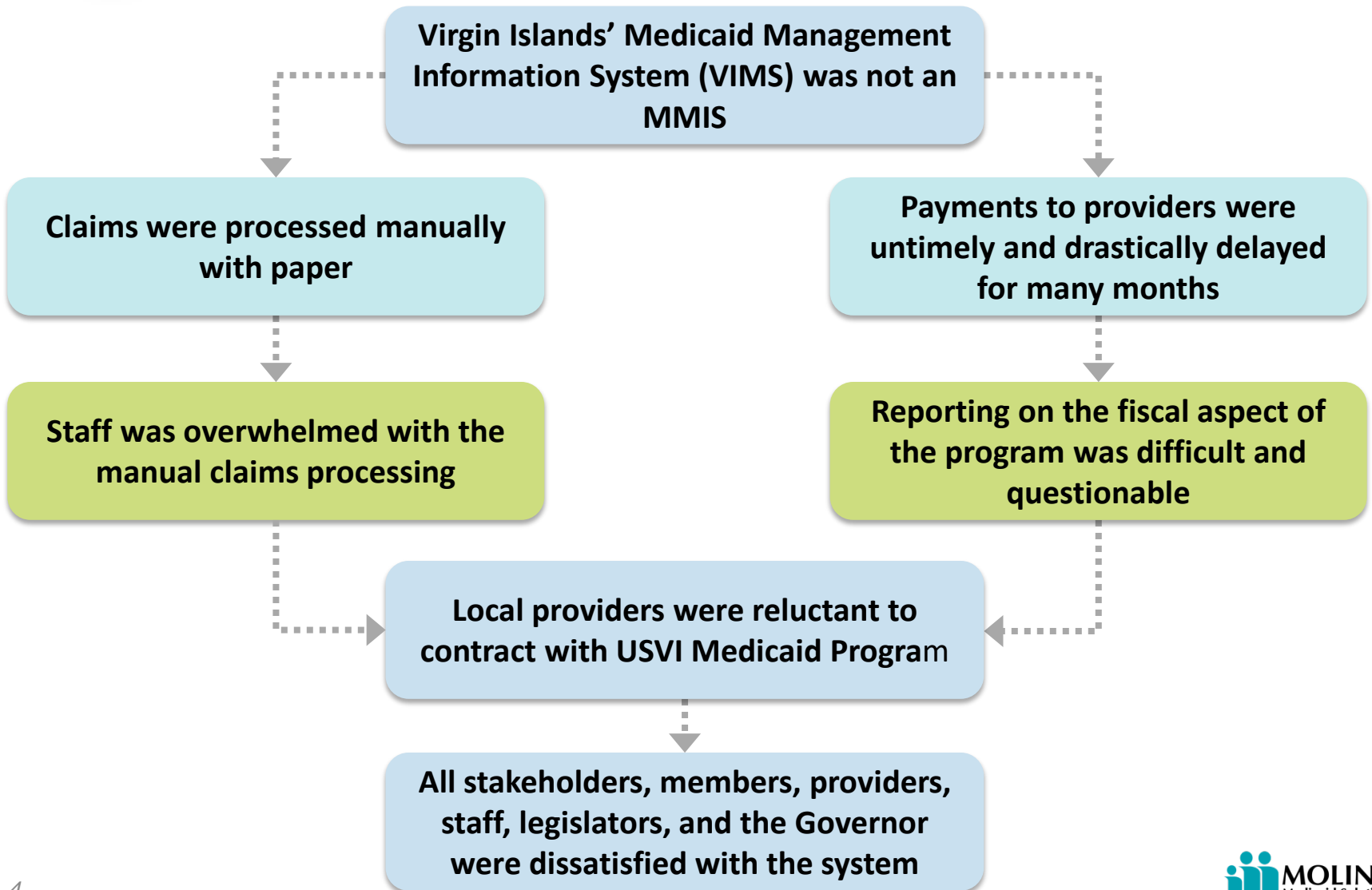


CMS Region 2 &  
Region 3





# USVI Medicaid Program Pre-Partnership





# The Timeline

## September 2008

- Medicaid Interagency Group formed to revise USVI Medicaid State Plan.

## April 2010

- Team from WV and Molina (then Unisys) visit USVI to ascertain scope

## October 2011

- Letter of Intent was signed between WV and USVI

## October 2012

- USVI signed a contract with Molina Medicaid Solutions

## December 2009

- Meeting of Governor John DeJongh, Jr. and Governor Joe Manchin at DGA: Partnership offered

## June 2010

- USVI Concept Framework produced.

## August 2012

- WV site visit by USVI team

## August 2013

- Go live of USVI MMIS



## System Layout

- The USVI's MMIS is a separate instance, sitting on WV's Platform ( separate servers)
- No mixing of data between USVI and WV
- USVI and WV does separate APDs
- USVI benefits from WV reuse with federal requirements (Ex. ICD-10, TMSIS, SSNRI)
- Meets the 7 standards and Conditions for enhanced funding



## Benefits to USVI

- Certified MMIS implemented in 10 months (vs. 48 months)
- Saved 80% of the cost of stand alone system
- CMS pays 75% of monthly operations cost (50% if not certified)
- Medicaid members expansion from 8,300 to 27,000 (325%)
- Increased annual claims processing from 1,000 to 100,000
- Timely processing of claims (one week)
- Restoration of millions of dollars in CHIP funding





## Benefits to USVI (continued)

- Successful CMS annual audits
- Accurate and timely CMS reporting
- Provider Incentive Payments(Meaningful Use)
  - \$1 million to Governor Roy Lester Schneider Hospital
  - \$500,000 to Governor Juan F. Luis Hospital
- National Recognition at CMS Medicaid Conferences
- Won 2015 MESC Poster Contest





# USVI CMS Winning Poster

## Revolutionizing healthcare in the U.S. Virgin Islands

*The only territory to have a certified MMIS.*



*As a result of Health PAS the territory has:*

The introduction of a certified MMIS in the US Virgin Islands has revolutionized the US Virgin Islands Medicaid program. Molina's solution - Health PAS - has allowed the territory to move from a manual claim processing system, to an automated and integrated solution. This system has enabled the territory to successfully fulfill the mandates of the Affordable Care Act, and remain in compliance with the changes that CMS introduces into the Medicaid Program.



*"Without Health PAS, the USVI would never have been able to access its ACA Medicaid Funds"*

- Vivian I. Ebbesen-Fludd, BSN, MS  
Commissioner of The Department of Human Services

### Growth

Increased its claims processing from 1,000 to 100,000 annually



### Accuracy

More accurate, efficient, and timely processing of claims



### Account

Accurately accounted for Medicaid funds expended for benefits via claim payments.



### Reports

Submitted timely and accurate CMS 64 Reports and consistent with all CMS requirements;



### Expansion

More providers enrolling to provide Medicaid services;





## Summary

- First Certified MMIS implemented in a U.S. Territory
- First partnership between a State and a Territory for an MMIS
- Meets and exceeds the Interoperability and Modularity Standards for Enhanced Funding
- Earlier implementation than traditional approach
- Meets time-sensitive need to fully utilize \$300 million in ACA funding