

Summary Timeline for CO-OP Program

CO-OP Advisory Board
Criteria, Process and Compliance Workgroup

Draft Recommendations, February 5, 2011

CO-OP Advisory Board	
Appointment of Advisory Board.	June 2010
Notice of first CO-OP Advisory Board/Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) meeting (per public meeting notice rules).	Dec. 2010
1st Advisory Board meeting (including expert testimony).	Jan. 13, 2011
Subcommittee work.	Jan. 14 - Feb. 6, 2011
Publication of Request for Comments regarding CO-OP provisions of the Affordable Care Act in advance of future rulemaking and grant and loan solicitations.	Jan. 31, 2011
2nd Advisory Board meeting (including expert testimony).	Feb. 7, 2011
Subcommittee work.	Feb. 8 – March 2011
Request for Comments period closes.	March 2, 2011
3 rd Advisory Board meeting with preliminary recommendations and discussion of responses to Requests for Comments.	March 2011
Final Advisory Board signoff and submission of recommendations to the Secretary.	End of March 2011

Regulations	
Draft regulations on CO-OP program released	Late Spring 2011
Final regulations released.	Summer/Fall 2011

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1st Round Applications and Award Announcements	
1 st round Request for Loan/Grant Applications released. <i>[Note: Work group recommends two opportunities to apply.]</i>	Fall 2011
Notice of Intent to Apply for 2 nd round Request for Loan/Grant Applications due (see below). <i>[Note: Need to know if additional requests for CO-OP funding may be coming in round 2.]</i>	Fall 2011 (same date as 1 st round Request for Loan/Grant Applications release date above).
1 st Round of loan/grant applications due.	Late Fall 2011. <i>[Note: tight turn-around time but probably necessary so CO-OPs can be ready to participate in Exchanges by 2014.]</i>
1 st round of awards announced.	Early Winter 2011-12

2nd Round Applications and Award Announcements	
Notice of Intent to Apply for 2 nd round Request for Loan/Grant Applications due.	Fall 2011 (same date as 1 st round Request for Loan/Grant Apps release date above).
2nd round Request for Loan/Grant Applications released.	Dec. 2011
2nd round of loan/grant applications received.	March 2012
2nd round awards announced.	Spring 2012

Statutory Deadlines for Awards and Beginning Distribution of Loans and Grants	
Statutory deadline for awarding loans and grants.	July 1, 2013
Statutory deadline for beginning distribution of loans and grants.	July 1, 2013

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CO-OPs and Exchanges	
CO-OPs that intend to participate in Exchanges effective Jan. 14, 2014 are operational.	May 2013
CO-OPs that are ready to do so enroll first Exchange members.	Jan. 1, 2014