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# **Lifeline Program Webinar**

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

## Housekeeping

- Audio is available through your computer's speakers
- The audience will remain on mute
- Enter questions at any time using the "Questions" box
  - There is a large audience signed in today. We will accept as many questions as possible!
- If your audio or slides freeze, refresh the webinar

## About the Lifeline Program Webinar

- Discusses general issues with the Lifeline Program, including:
  - Impacts and implementation considerations of the Modernization Order
  - National Lifeline Accountability Database (NLAD)
- Second Wednesday of the month at 10:00 AM EDT
- Register for each session
- Submit suggested agenda items by noon EDT on Friday before the webinar to [LifelineProgram@usac.org](mailto:LifelineProgram@usac.org)

## Agenda

- Beginning today, the monthly NLAD Industry webinar will be open to discussion of all Lifeline Program topics
- [Lifeline Modernization Order](#) (FCC 16–38) released on April 27, 2016
- Webinars will be recorded and posted to our website

## Reminder!

The “[Snapshot Date](#)” method of reporting Lifeline subscribers becomes effective with the August 2016 FCC Form 497, claiming September 1st subscribers.

## Lifeline Modernization Order - Today's Topics:

- Inclusion of Broadband
- Minimum Service Standards
- Support Levels
- Eligibility: Current State vs. Future State
- National Verifier

## Inclusion of Broadband & Minimum Service Standards

- BIAS<sup>1</sup> supported service
  - Voice
  - Broadband
  - Bundled

Date	Mobile Voice	Mobile Broadband	Fixed Broadband
12/1/2016	500 Minutes	500 MB	<b>Speed:</b> 10/1 <b>Usage Allowance:</b> 150 GB
12/1/2017	750 Minutes	1 GB	<b>Speed:</b> Updating Mechanism <b>Usage Allowance:</b> CAF Standard or Bureau Determination
12/1/2018	1000 Minutes	2 GB	<b>Speed:</b> Updating Mechanism <b>Usage Allowance:</b> CAF Standard or Bureau Determination
12/1/2019	1000 Minutes	Updating Mechanism	<b>Speed:</b> Updating Mechanism <b>Usage Allowance:</b> CAF Standard or Bureau Determination
12/1/2020	1000 Minutes	Updating Mechanism	<b>Speed:</b> Updating Mechanism <b>Usage Allowance:</b> CAF Standard or Bureau Determination
12/1/2021	1000 Minutes	Updating Mechanism	<b>Speed:</b> Updating Mechanism <b>Usage Allowance:</b> CAF Standard or Bureau Determination

<sup>1</sup>Broadband Internet Access Service

## Support Levels Phase-down Schedule

Date	Mobile Voice	Fixed Voice	Mobile Broadband	Fixed Broadband
December 1, 2016	\$9.25	\$9.25	\$9.25	\$9.25
December 1, 2017	\$9.25	\$9.25	\$9.25	\$9.25
December 1, 2018	\$9.25	\$9.25	\$9.25	\$9.25
December 1, 2019	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$9.25	\$9.25
December 1, 2020	\$5.25	\$5.25	\$9.25	\$9.25
December 1, 2021	0*	0*	\$9.25	\$9.25

\* State of the Lifeline Marketplace Report due June 30, 2021

# Questions?

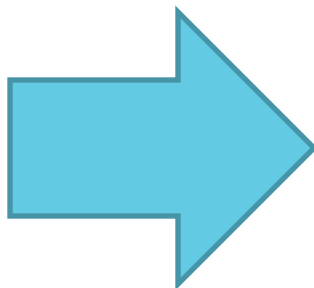
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## Streamlining Eligibility

### Current State

- SNAP
- Medicaid
- SSI
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Tribal Programs
- LIHEAP
- National School Lunch Program
- State Eligibility Programs
- Income at 135% or state-set Federal Poverty Guidelines



### Future State

- SNAP
- Medicaid
- SSI
- Federal Public Housing Assistance
- Tribal Programs
- Veterans Pension & Survivors Pension benefit
- Income at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines

**Effective December 1, 2016 for new subscribers**  
**Existing subscribers: Rolling re-certification date**

## National Verifier

### Objectives:

- Reducing costs to Lifeline providers
- Facilitating consumer choice and improving the enrollment process

### Functions:

- Determination of subscriber eligibility
- Population of the Lifeline Eligibility Database (LED)
- Default basis for determining support payments

## National Verifier Phase-in

**December 1, 2016**

Draft National  
Verifier Plan

**December 31, 2018**

Deployed in at  
least 25 states

**December 31, 2017**

Deployed in at  
least 5 states

**December 31, 2019**

Deployed in all  
states and  
territories

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## Thank You!

- Thank you for joining us at today's webinar
  - Submit agenda items for next month's webinar to [LifelineProgram@usac.org](mailto:LifelineProgram@usac.org)
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