#### Washington Paid Family & Medical Leave

Employment Security Department WASHINGTON STATE

#### **Advisory Committee Meeting**

January 14, 2022



#### Agenda

Introductions & approve minutes

Phone update

Early application

2022 legislative session

Agenda items for February meeting

Open comment and adjourn

#### **Meeting structure**

- Only Advisory Committee and the presenters will be unmuted during the meeting, until open comment.
- Public to hold all feedback until the open comment period.
- Comments and questions in the chat will not be reviewed as part of the meeting structure, rather:
  - Open comments will be taken at the end of the meeting.
  - Please frame your questions as a comment.
  - "Raise your hand" if you have a comment.
  - The meeting host will unmute individual line to allow for the open comment.

#### Introductions

Advisory Committee

(Note: We will use the Zoom feature to identify who is on the phone rather than announcing during meeting)

### **Approve December minutes**

Discussion

# Phone update

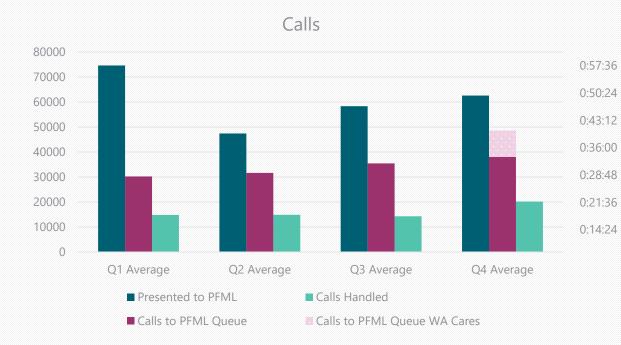
John Mattes, Operations Manager

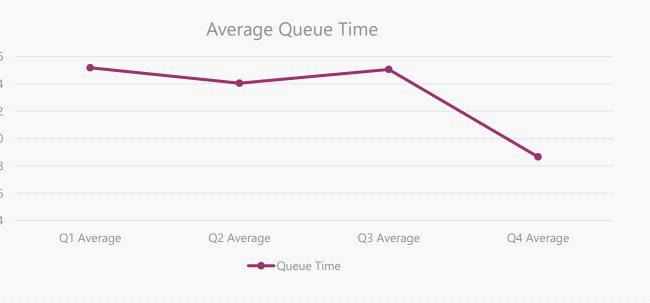
#### **Telephony data**

	Percentage of calls into queue*	Percentage of calls answered from Paid Leave queue	Queue time for Paid Leave
July	47%	40%	1:04:12
August	69%	41%	47:48
September	69%	40%	50:39
October	55%	37%	48:50
November	59%	56%	30:23
December	73%	70%	14:20

\* includes calls for WA Cares Fund

#### **Telephony data**





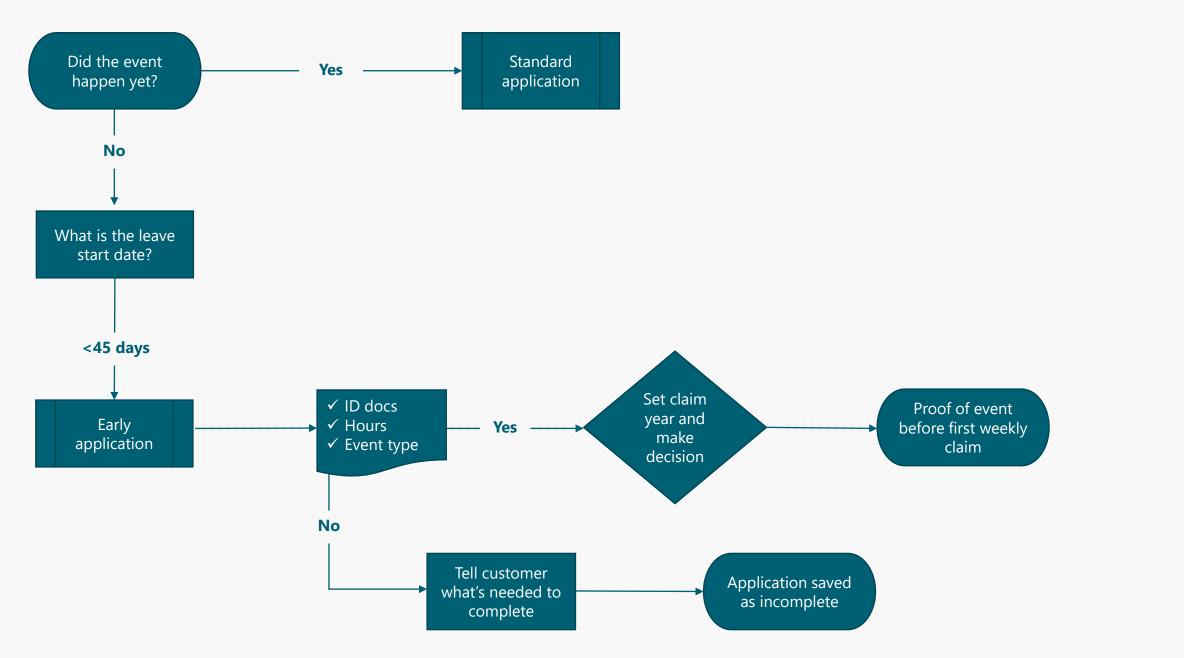
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# Early application

#### What do customers need?

- More certainty around:
  - Eligibility
  - Benefit amount
  - Leave start and end dates



# 2022 legislative session

#### **February meeting**

Details

• 1 – 3 p.m., Friday, Feb. 11, 2022

#### Agenda

• Topics?

### **Open comment**

# Continue the conversation

#### Lisa Kissler

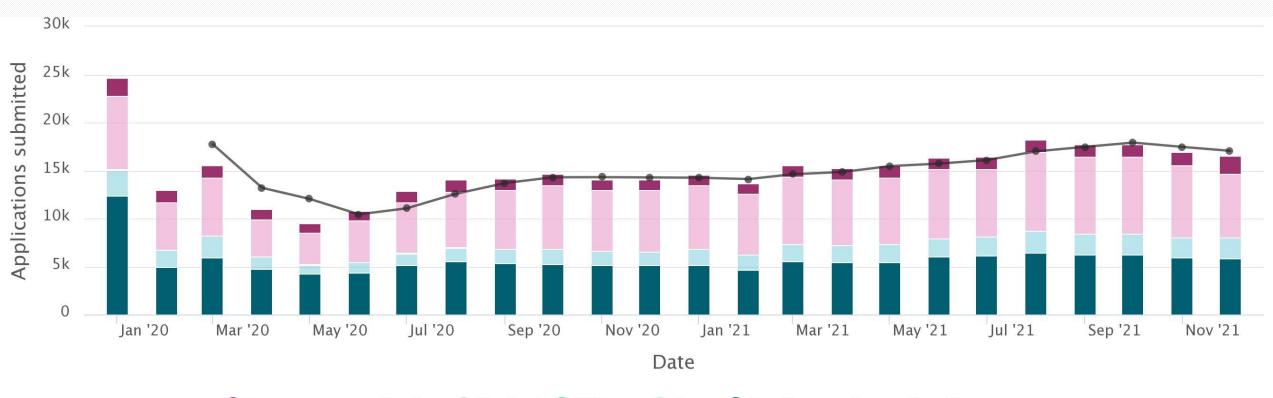
Director, Paid Family & Medical Leave Employment Security Department <u>lisa.kissler@esd.wa.gov</u>





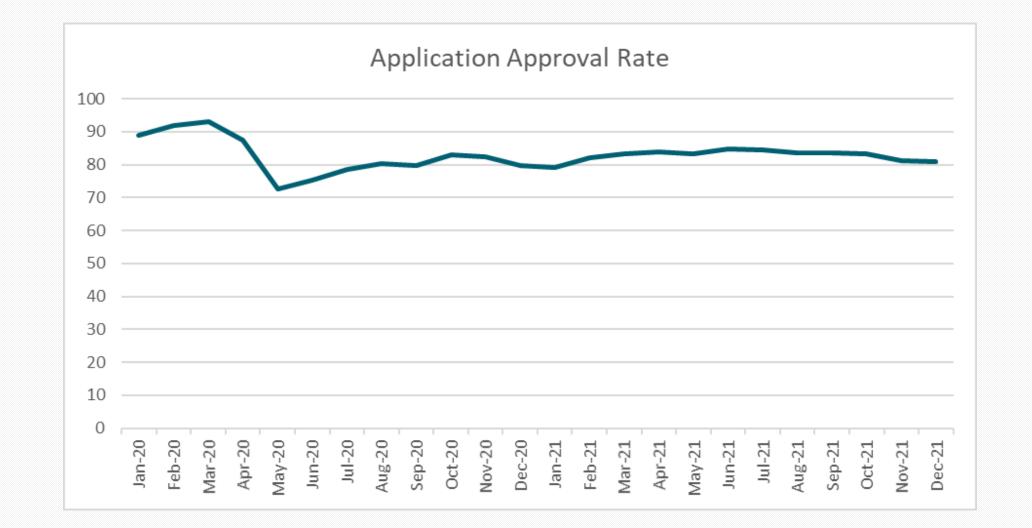
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#### Application & Weekly Claim data through Dec 2021

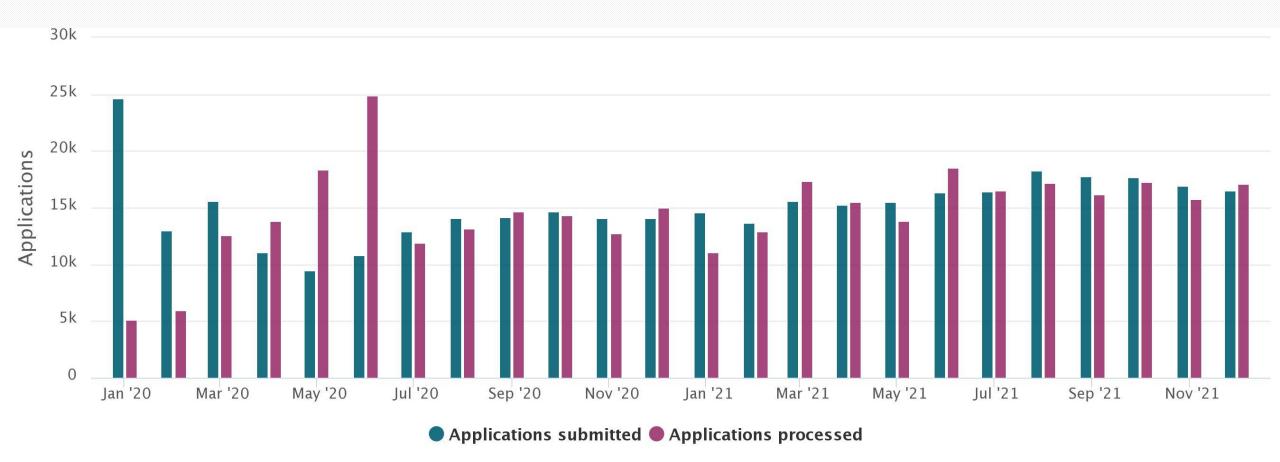


Pregnancy complications — Medical Military Care Bonding J-month rolling average

#### Application & Weekly Claim data - through 12/4/2021



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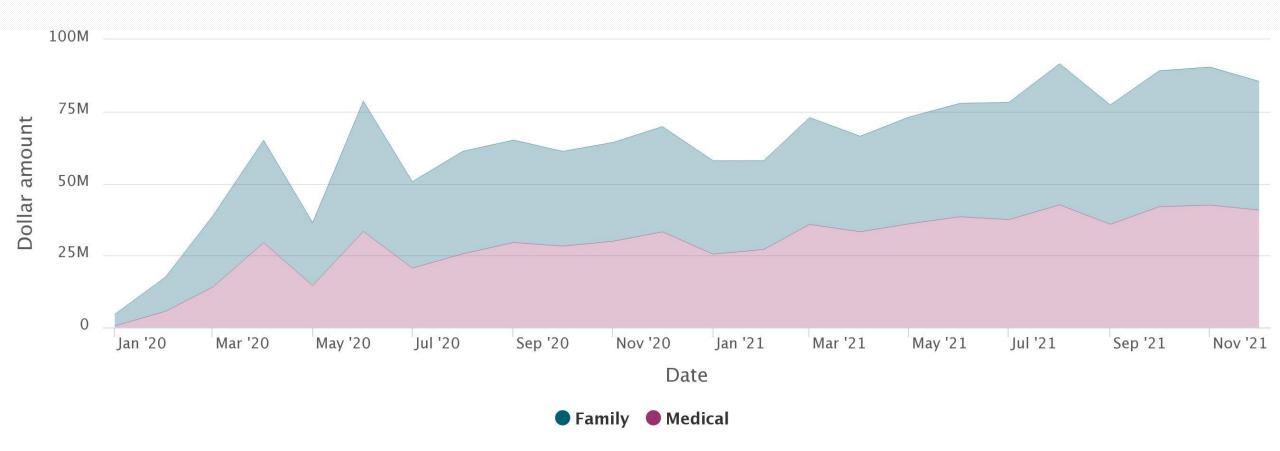


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#### **Benefits \$ paid**



#### Time from application submission to first approved payment- past 12 months

	Median weeks	Average weeks
Jan-21	4.1	5.8
Feb-21	3.9	5.4
Mar-21	3.9	5.0
Apr-21	3.4	4.8
May-21	3.6	4.9
Jun-21	3.7	4.7
Jul-21	3.4	4.8
Aug-21	3.3	4.6
Sep-21	3.6	4.8
Oct-21	3.6	4.9
Nov-21	3.6	5.0
Dec-21	3.6	4.9