

Georgia Medicaid Credentialing Verification Organization (CVO) Presentation



June 2015

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What is CVO?

The Credentialing Verification Organization (CVO) is providing a certified solution to support processing of Care Management Organizations (CMO) applications. HP Enterprise Services Provider Enrollment will receive three types of CVO applications:

- 1. CMO initial
- 2. CMO Only
- 3. CMO re-credentialing applications

CMO providers will be enrolled in Medicaid Fee for Service (FFS) unless they indicate CMO Only when completing the application online.





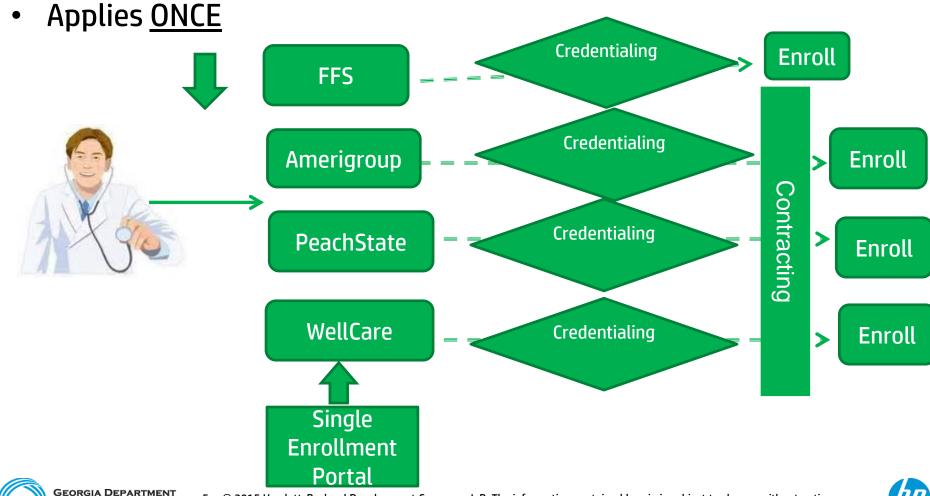
Implementation Date

 The expected implementation date for CVO is to be determined.





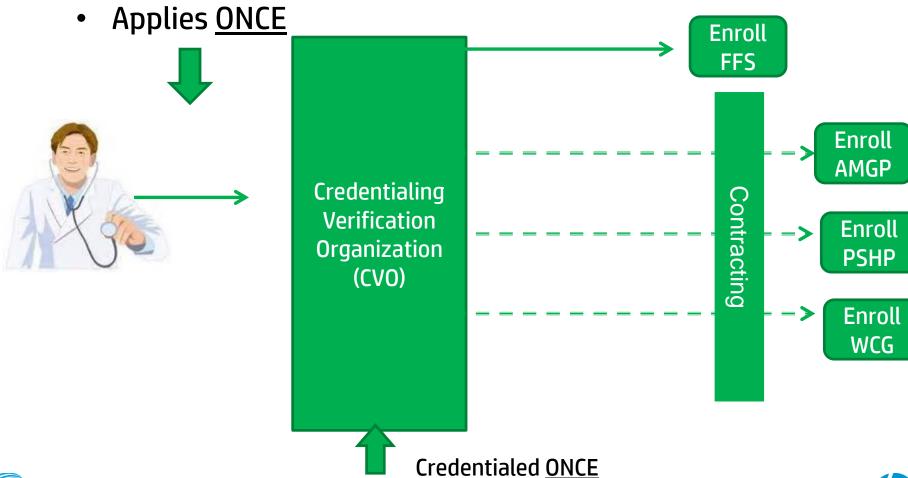
Current Process



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New Process/Advantages







New Process/Advantages

- Advantages
 - Administrative simplification
 - Single, electronic application process
 - Providers credentialed once
 - Consistency in credentialing process and decisions
 - Synchronized re-credentialing process and cycles
 - Provider ability to track application/credentialing status
 - Direct DCH ownership of credentialing process
 - Financial advantage





Who is Aperture?

- Aperture is the Nation's largest and most experienced Healthcare Provider Credentialing Company
- The CVO administered by Aperture, conducts database exclusionary checks
- The CVO conducts PSV (Primary Source Verification) Credentialing verification
- Credentialing Committee is responsible for reviewing, recommending, accepting, and/or denying applications to the Care Management Organization (CMO) provider network





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At the bottom of the Enrollment Wizard page, select the Provider Enrollment Application link.

Enrollment Wizard

Providers use this page to complete an enrollment application to become a participating provider in the Georgia Medicaid program. The application uses a wizard to guide applicants through the enrollment form. An in-progress application can be saved and completed at a later time.

Please reference the <u>Part I</u>, <u>Policies and Procedures for Medicaid/PeachCare for Kids®</u> manual, for general requirements that apply to all provider types when enrolling as a Georgia Medicaid provider. Applicants must meet all the provider requirements and qualifications and their practices must be fully operational before they can be enrolled as Medicaid providers.

Specific qualifications for each provider type are contained in chapter 600 of the program specific policy manual(s).

The Enrollment Wizard will assist with the completion of an application. Required documents, as stipulated in the applicable policy manual sections, may be uploaded with the application.

A scanned or faxed copy of the Power of Attorney for Payee will be accepted providing that:

- 1. The submitted Power of Attorney for Payee reflects the raised notary seal and all signatures can clearly be seen via a scanned or faxed copy.
- 2. If the notary seal is an ink seal it can be clearly seen via a scanned or faxed copy.
- If the notary seal and all signatures are unclear or illegible when the document is scanned or faxed, the faxed or scanned Power of Attorney for Payee will be returned to the sender and an original Power of Attorney for Payee will have to be submitted.

The Department reserves the right to reject a scanned or faxed copy of a Power of Attorney for Payee.

To begin, click on the Provider Enrollment Application link below and provide the information requested. If you have any questions regarding completion of the wizard or status of an application, you may contact the Provider Enrollment Unit for assistance.







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The instructional panel will provide guidance through the enrollment application.

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Instructions

Welcome to the online Provider Enrollment application.

- The enrollment application is a one source application for both fee-for-service Medicaid and CMO (Care Management Organization) enrollment.
- You must complete each step in the Enrollment application. When you have completed all of the steps, please click on the 'Submit' button to submit your application. The application is automatically saved after each step.
- · Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required.
- Please click the 'New Application' to start a new Provider Enrollment application or click 'Continue Application' to continue with an existing application.
- Application Fee Information 42 CFR 455.460 requires that certain prospective (new), re-enrolling, or revalidating providers pay an application fee. Individual physicians or non-physician practitioners are exempt from the fee as well as those providers who have already paid the fee to a Medicare contractor or another State's Medicaid program. Section 105.3, Part I Policies and Procedures for Medicaid/Peachcare for Kids®, identifies the categories of service that are required to pay the application fee. Within thirty (30) days from the date of submission of an application, the Division may reject an enrollment application from a prospective (new) or re-enrolling individual or institutional provider that is not accompanied by the application fee or a letter requesting a hardship exception or waiver of the application fee.
- Help is available by clicking the question mark (?) in the title bar.

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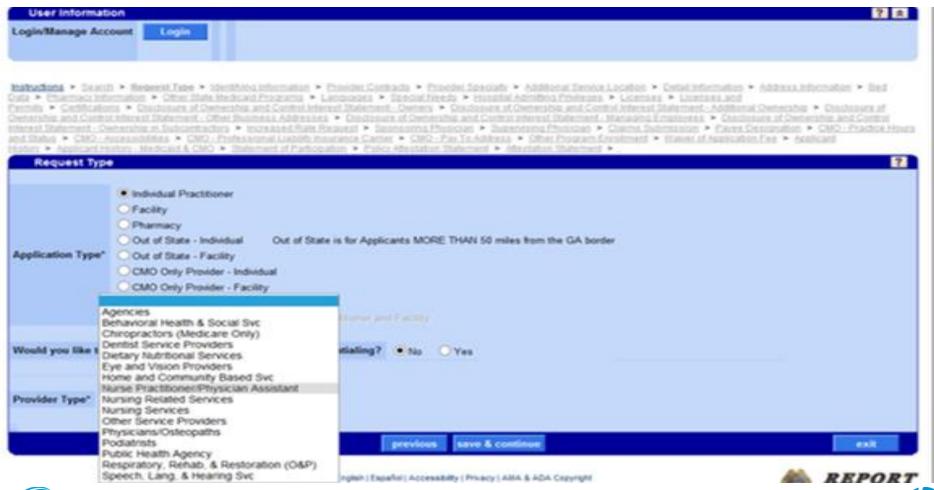




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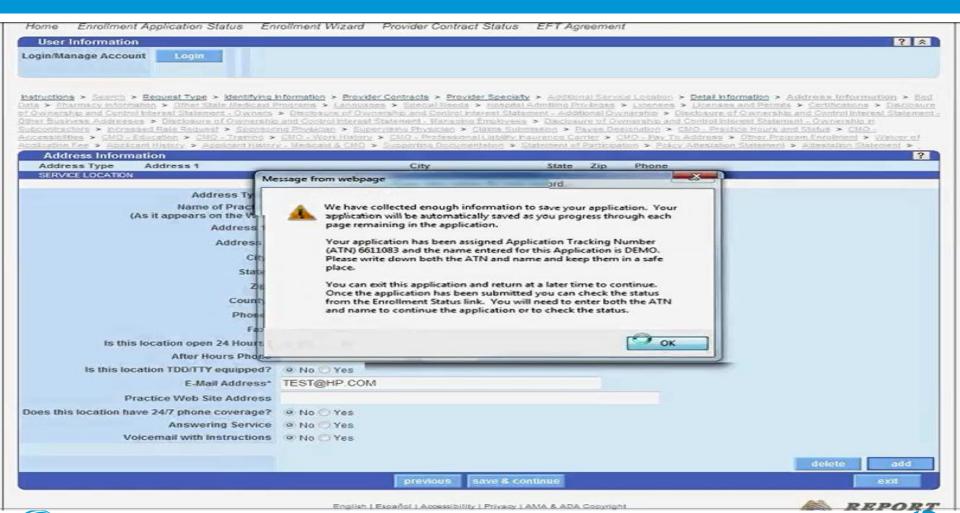




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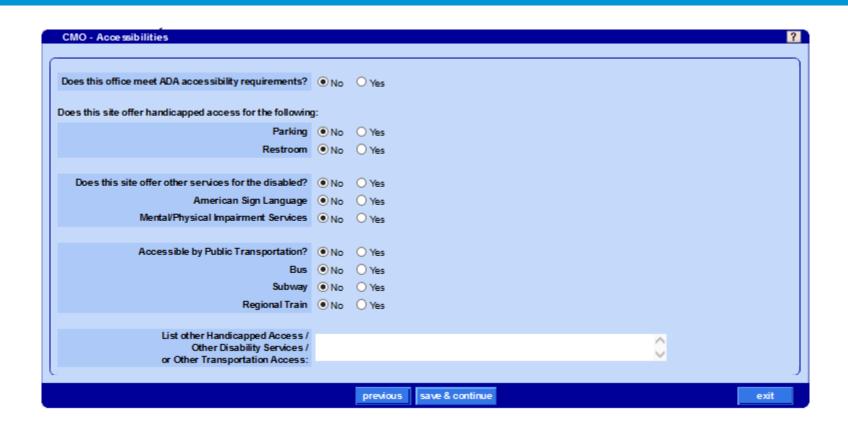
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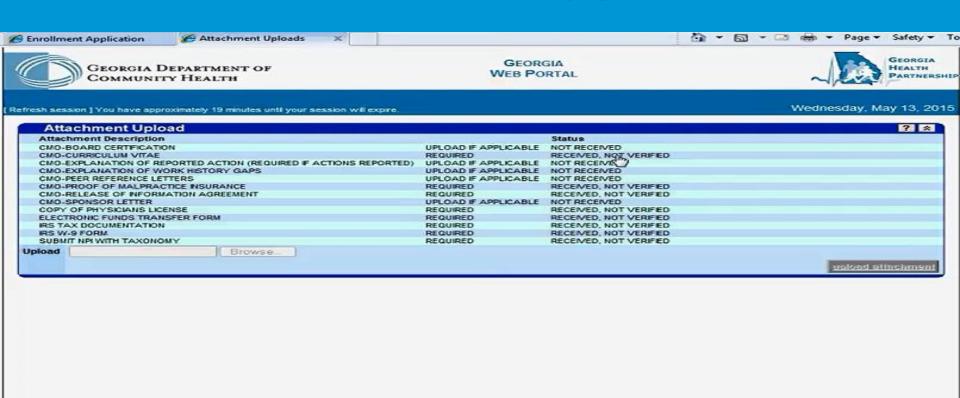


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Submission of Application

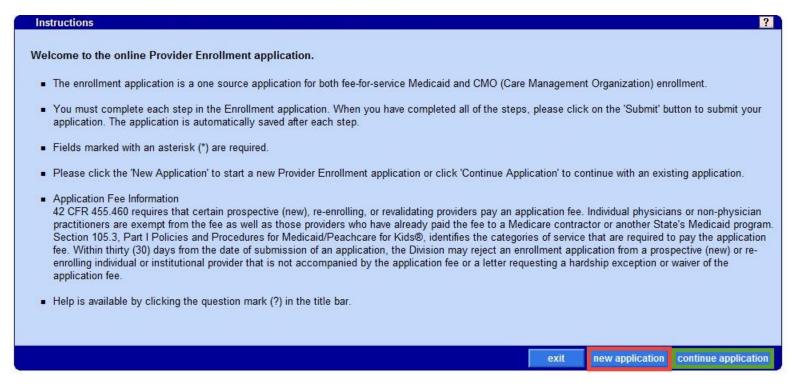






Application Tracking Number (ATN)

In order to track the status of an application, users will navigate to the Web Portal, Provider Enrollment Wizard and enter the Application Tracking Number.









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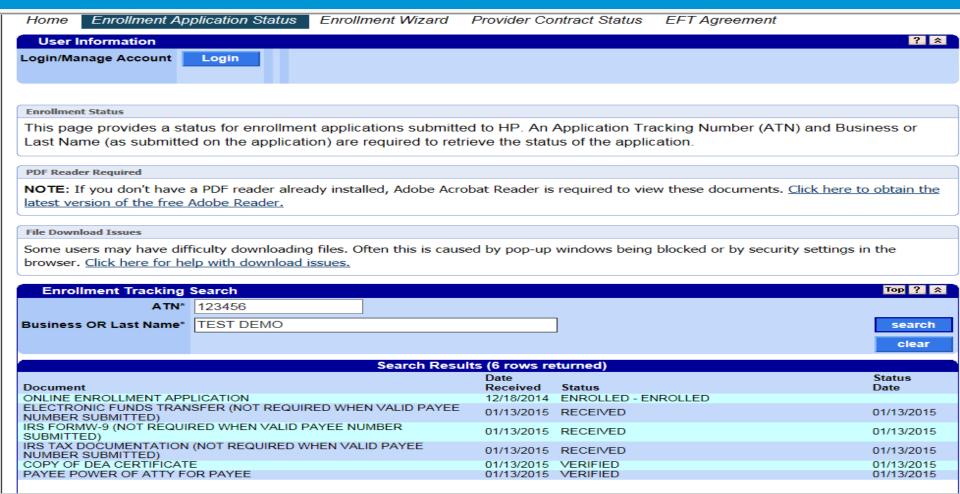
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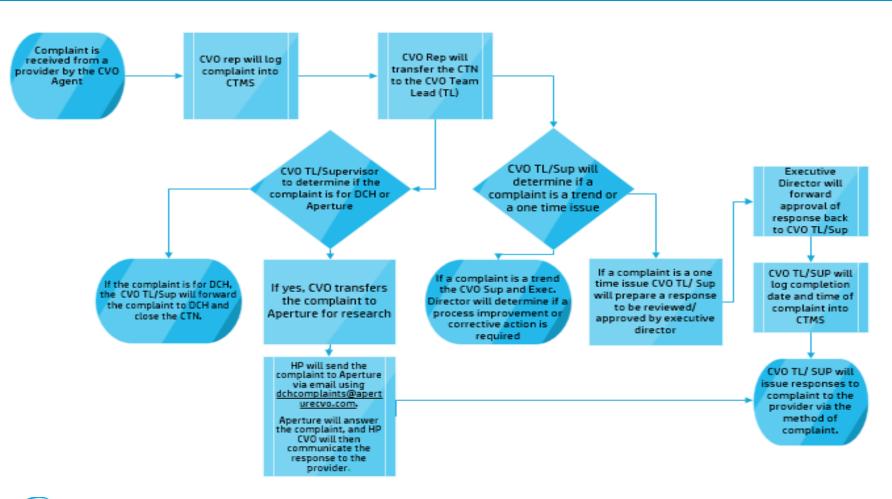
How To Check Application Status







Complaint Process Flowchart







When will the CVO begin accepting provider applications?

The CVO implementation date is to be determined.

Why is the current provider enrollment process changing?

- Currently, a provider seeking to enroll with multiple Care Management Organizations (CMO)
 must be credentialed or recredentialed with each individual CMO. This process requires that a
 provider submit credentialing and recredentialing materials to each individual CMO in order
 to be credentialed or recredentialed. This process results in multiple submissions and has
 proven to be administratively burdensome to providers. The current process also results in
 inconsistencies in credentialing and recredentialing outcomes.
- The new streamlined process will allow providers currently enrolled with a CMO or seeking to enroll with a CMO to submit a provider enrollment application and all credentialing or recredentialing materials through one single web portal. This streamlined process eliminates the need to submit credentialing and recredentialing materials to multiple CMOs.





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What are the advantages of DCH using a CVO?

- One streamlined Credentialng/Recredentialing process
- Single electronic application process
 - Increases efficiency
 - Eliminates multiple submissions of credentialing and recredentialing materials
 - One Credentialing Committee
- Providers will be credentialed and recredentialed by one centralized CVO
- Consistency in credentialing and recredentialing processes and decisions
- Shortened time period for providers to receive credentialing and recredentialing decisions
- Synchronized re-credentialing process and cycles
- Provider has the ability to track application/credentialing status
- Credentialing and recredentialing decisions will be shared with providers and the CMOs

What is the purpose of the Centralized Credentialing Verification Organization?

The CVO will conduct one streamlined process for provider credentialing and re-credentialing. This
streamlined process will facilitate providers requesting to enroll with a CMO for the first time as well as
those providers that are currently participating in the Georgia Families or Georgia Families 360°
programs.





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Who will be required to go through credentialing verification process?

• All individual practitioners and facilities currently enrolled or seeking to enroll with a CMO will be credentialed and recredentialed through the new Centralized CVO. Independent Physician Practice Associations (IPA) and Physician Hospital Organizations (PHO) that conduct their own credentialing and to whom the CMOs delegate credentialing are excluded from this process.

Who reviews the provider credentialing and recredentialing materials?

• The CVO and the Credentialing Committee will review all credentialing and recredentialing materials submitted by providers. The Credentialing Committee is responsible for credentialing Medicaid providers enrolled or seeking enrollment in the Georgia Families or Georgia Families 360° programs. The Credentialing Committee is responsible for reviewing the results of primary source verifications, verification of state and federal databases, site visits, criminal background checks, fingerprinting and reviews of Medicare's Provider Enrollment Chain Ownership System (PECOS) in order to issue a decision affirming or denying an applicant's credentialing status.

How long will it take for a provider to be credentialed or recredentialed?

Applications that contain all required credentialing and recredentialing materials at the time of submission will
receive a decision within approximately 45 calendar days from the date of submission. Incomplete applications
that do not contain all required credentialing and recredentialing materials will be returned to the provider with
a request to supplement all missing materials. Incomplete applications that are not supplemented with
requested missing materials will be denied and will result in a delayed credentialing or recredentialing decision.





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Is there a fee to be credentialed or recredentialed?

- No. There is not a fee associated with credentialing or recredentialing. However, federal regulations require
 that certain new, re-enrolling, or revalidating providers pay an application fee prior to executing the
 Medicaid Statement of Participation or provider agreement. The following are exempt from the application
 fee:
 - Individual physicians or non-physician practitioners;
 - Providers who are enrolled in either of the following:
 - Title XVII of the Social Security Act
 - Another state's Title XIX or XXI plan
 - Providers that have paid the application fee to:
 - Another state
 - A Medicare contractor

Will training be provided on the process for submitting an application?

Yes, HP Enterprise Services' provider representatives will provide training and assistance as needed.
 Providers may contact HP Enterprise Services for assistance with credentialing and recredentialing by dialing 1-800-766-4456.





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If I am credentialed by the CVO will I still need to contract with each of the CMOs?

 Yes, you will need to enter into a Provider Agreement with each CMO you are interested in contracting with. Contracting and credentialing are separate and distinct processes. Each CMO will decide which provider it would like to enroll in its network.

What if my practice already has an existing contract with one or more of the CMOs? Will I still obtain credentialing and re-credentialing certification through the Centralized CVO?

Yes, providers joining a practice with an existing CMO contract will go through the Centralized CVO if
initial credentialing is required. Contracted providers originally credentialed by one or more of the CMOs
will fall under the Centralized CVO's re-credentialing timeline beginning December 1, 2015.

How do I find out the status of my application?

The existing HP Provider Call Center will be enhanced to respond to inquiries regarding credentialing
and recredentialing applications. Additionally, providers may obtain information regarding the status of
their application on the HP provider enrollment web portal at www.mmis.georgia.gov; providers may
contact the HP Provider Call Center by dialing 1-800-766-4456 to obtain assistance with credentialing
and recredentialing.





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What is the process if I need to be re-credentialed?

- The CVO will perform re-credentialing for both current and new providers every three years. Providers requiring re-credentialing will be notified by DCH at least 90 calendar days in advance of the recredentialing due date.
- If you are a current network provider belonging to more than one CMO and have a
 different credentialing effective date with other plans, your re-credentialing due
 date will be based on the earliest initial credentialing or re-credentialing effective
 date. Therefore, initial re-credentialing with the CVO may be performed earlier
 than the three-year cycle due to the transition.

Additional questions regarding the Credentialing Verification Organization Process?

Visit the DCH provider portal – GAMMIS – at www.mmis.georgia.gov.





CMO Name	Provider Services	Web Site	Email
WellCare	866-300-1141	https://georgia.wellcare.com/prospective_providers/new	GAPR@wellcare.com
PeachState	800-874-0633	http://www.pshpgeorgia.com/pro vider-quick-reference- information/	PHPproviderservices @centene.com
Amerigroup	678-587-4840	https://providers.amerigroup.com/pages/ga-2012.aspx	gaprovupdates@amerigro up.com





Central Point of Contact

 Answers to your most commonly asked questions regarding the Centralized CVO initiative are in our FAQs. A full list of FAQs are available on the GAMMIS Web Portal. If your question is not listed in the FAQs; please contact the DCH via e-mail at: CVO.dch@dch.ga.gov

• HP Enterprise Services will continue to be your central point of contact for CVO. We can be reached through the Provider Services Contact Center (PSCC) at 800-766-4456 option 4, Monday through Friday from 7a.m. - 7p.m. EST, (except for state holidays)





Session Review

You should now be able to:

- Understand the CVO process and implementation date.
- Understand how to successfully submit an online application.
- Understand how to check the status of an application.
- Understand the complaint process.
- Understand the FAQ's.





Closing and Q & A



