DATA ANALYTIC CORE

# Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Forum
## Tues. 7/11/23 - 12:00 PM

Amber Barnato - TDI Director
Jennifer Rickards – TDI Director of Operations
Nancy Birkmeyer - DAC Interim Director
Monica Adams-Foster – DAC Operations Manager

MISSION: The DAC is a **Dartmouth Data Service Center** providing full life-cycle data management, ensuring compliance with administrative, technical, and physical control requirements to meet the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of data acquired, stored, and maintained in the DAC Information Systems.

# Fiscal Year 2024 Forum Agenda

| Topic | Presenter |
|---|---|
| Welcome and introductions | Amber |
| Key accomplishments in FY23 | Amber |
| DAC leadership transition | Amber/Nancy |
| Changing landscape & FY23 deficit | Jennifer |
| Rate Categories & Fees timeline & FY23 vs. FY24 comparison | Nancy |
| FY24 Actual, Subsidized, & VRDC rate comparison | Nancy |
| DAC Transition estimated timeline | Amber/Nancy |

# Key Accomplishments in FY2023

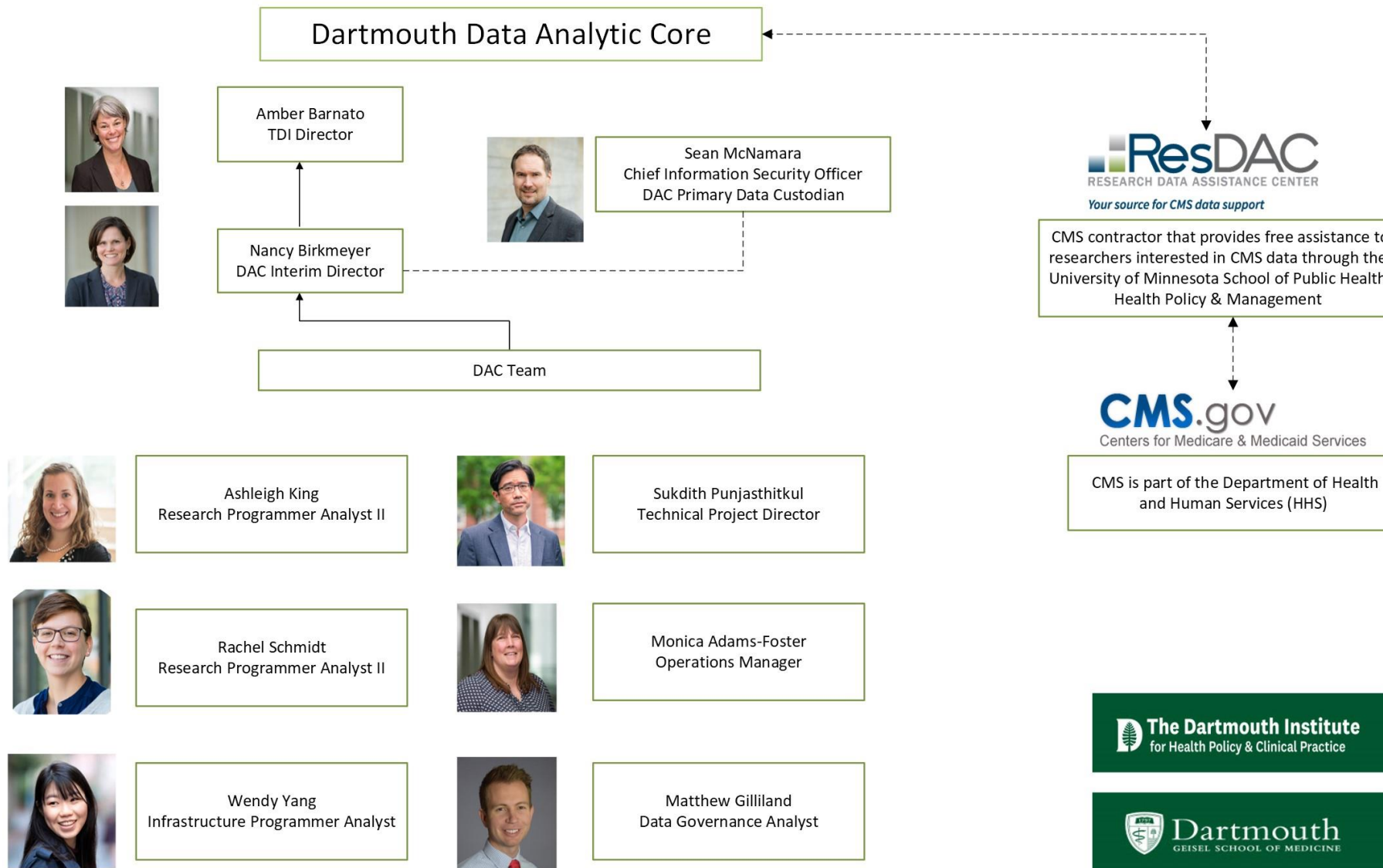| | | | |
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| Completed internal review and compliance process | Transitioned data to Granite (secure computing environment) | Instituted new processes for efficiency, communication, and project cost estimation | Strengthened cybersecurity |
| Developed DAC Code Library | Created DAC Data Catalog | Completed DAC Strategic Planning | Established DAC Volunteer Service Day |

Dartmouth Data Analytic Core

Amber Barnato
TDI Director

Sean McNamara
Chief Information Security Officer
DAC Primary Data Custodian

Nancy Birkmeyer
DAC Interim Director

DAC Team

ResDAC
RESEARCH DATA ASSISTANCE CENTER
Your source for CMS data support

CMS contractor that provides free assistance to researchers interested in CMS data through the University of Minnesota School of Public Health Health Policy & Management

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Ashleigh King
Research Programmer Analyst II

Sukdith Punjasthitkul
Technical Project Director

Rachel Schmidt
Research Programmer Analyst II

Monica Adams-Foster
Operations Manager

Wendy Yang
Infrastructure Programmer Analyst

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# Changing Landscape

## Risks and benefits of on-premises data

Increasing cost of hosting secure data

Cybersecurity threats

Medicare Advantage enrollment

Appetite for timely data for policy-relevant research

## DHHS policy changes encouraging virtual access

CMS: Increased scrutiny of on-premises data requests

CMS: Creation of the Virtual Research Data Center (VRDC)

NIA: Creation of CMS data enclave for grantees and financial incentives to use it
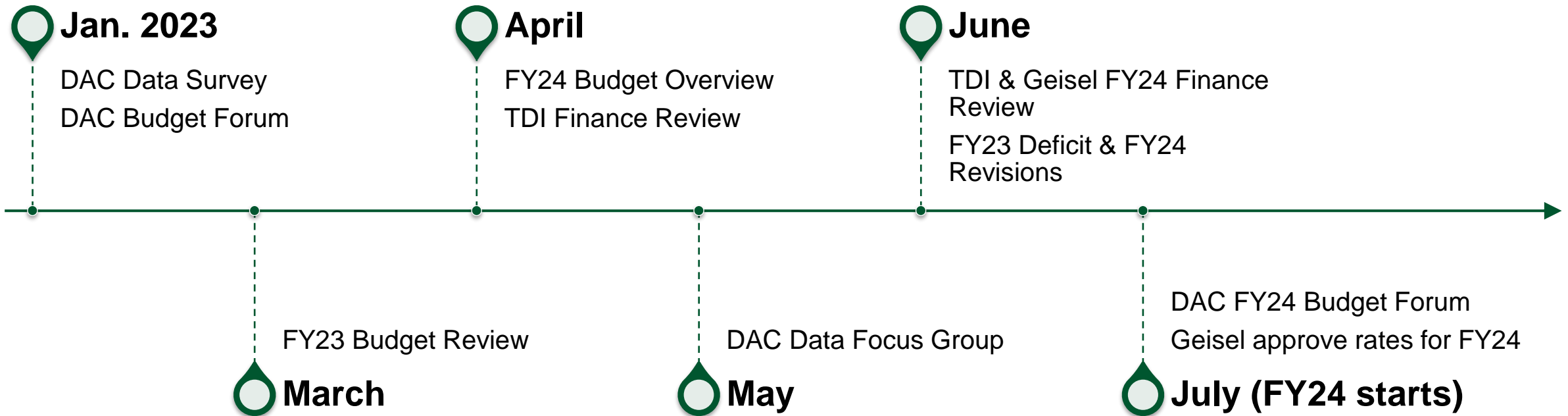
# FY23 Budget Deficit

**$362,142 deficit**

**Subsidy offset**

TDI Director Funds: $250,000*

DAC Rate Stabilization Fund: $52,000

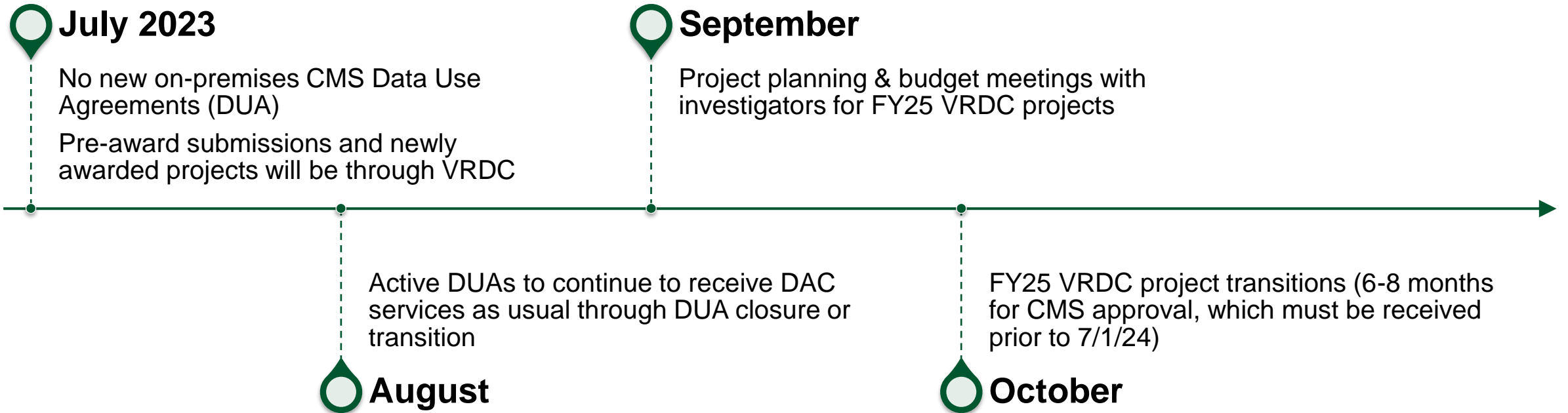TDI Reserves: $60,142

# Timeline for establishing FY24 Rates

**Jan. 2023**

DAC Data Survey
DAC Budget Forum

**April**

FY24 Budget Overview
TDI Finance Review

**June**

TDI & Geisel FY24 Finance Review

FY23 Deficit & FY24 Revisions

FY23 Budget Review

**March**

DAC Data Focus Group

**May**

DAC FY24 Budget Forum
Geisel approve rates for FY24

**July (FY24 starts)**

# FY 2023 vs. FY 2024 Rates Comparison

| Service Description | FY 2023 Internal Rate | FY 2024 Internal Rate | Rate Increase |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Administrative Fees (Annual)** | | | |
| Project Startup Fee | $4,124 | $4,413 | $289 Yearly |
| Project Renewal Fee | $3,166 | $3,388 | $222 Yearly |
| Data Management Fee | $4,250 | $4,548 | $297 Monthly |
| **Project Fees (Annual)** | | | |
| Server Seat Fee | $2,587 | $2,769 | $181 Monthly |
| Project Team Member Fee | $1,963 | $2,101 | $138 Monthly |
| DAC Collaborator Fee | $1,508 | $1,614 | $106 Monthly |
| **Consulting Fees (Hourly)** | | | |
| Programmer/Analyst Consulting | $90 | $97 | $6 Per Hour |
| Technical Consulting | $130 | $139 | $9 Per Hour |

External Rate multiplier 65%

# FY24 Actual, Subsidized, & VRDC Rates Comparison (presented)

| Service Description | FY 2024 Unsubsidized Rate | FY 2024 Subsidized Rate | VRDC Rate |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Administrative Fees (Annual)** | | | |
| Project Startup Fee | $25,710 | $4,413 | $15,000 Yearly +/- DAC Startup |
| Project Renewal Fee | $4,726 | $3,388 | $10,000 Yearly |
| Data Management Fee | $12,865 | $4,547 | $5,000 One Time Fee +/- Non-CMS Data Management |
| **Project Fees (Annual)** | | | |
| Server Seat Fee | $3,389 | $2,769 | New Seat $20,000 Yearly |
| Project Team Member Fee | $1,032 | $2,101 | Renewal Seat $15,000 Yearly |
| DAC Collaborator Fee | $1,639 | $1,614 | +/- DAC Collaborator |
| **Minimum Project Estimated Totals** | **$45,353** | **$14,498** | **$40,000** |
| **Consulting Fees (Hourly)** | | | |
| Programmer Consulting | $97 | $97 | +/- DAC Consulting |
| Technical Consulting | $158 | $140 | +/- DAC Consulting |

# DAC Transition Planning Estimated Timeline

**July 2023**

No new on-premises CMS Data Use Agreements (DUA)

Pre-award submissions and newly awarded projects will be through VRDC

**September**

Project planning & budget meetings with investigators for FY25 VRDC projects

Active DUAs to continue to receive DAC services as usual through DUA closure or transition

**August**

FY25 VRDC project transitions (6-8 months for CMS approval, which must be received prior to 7/1/24)

**October**

😎 Thank you!

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