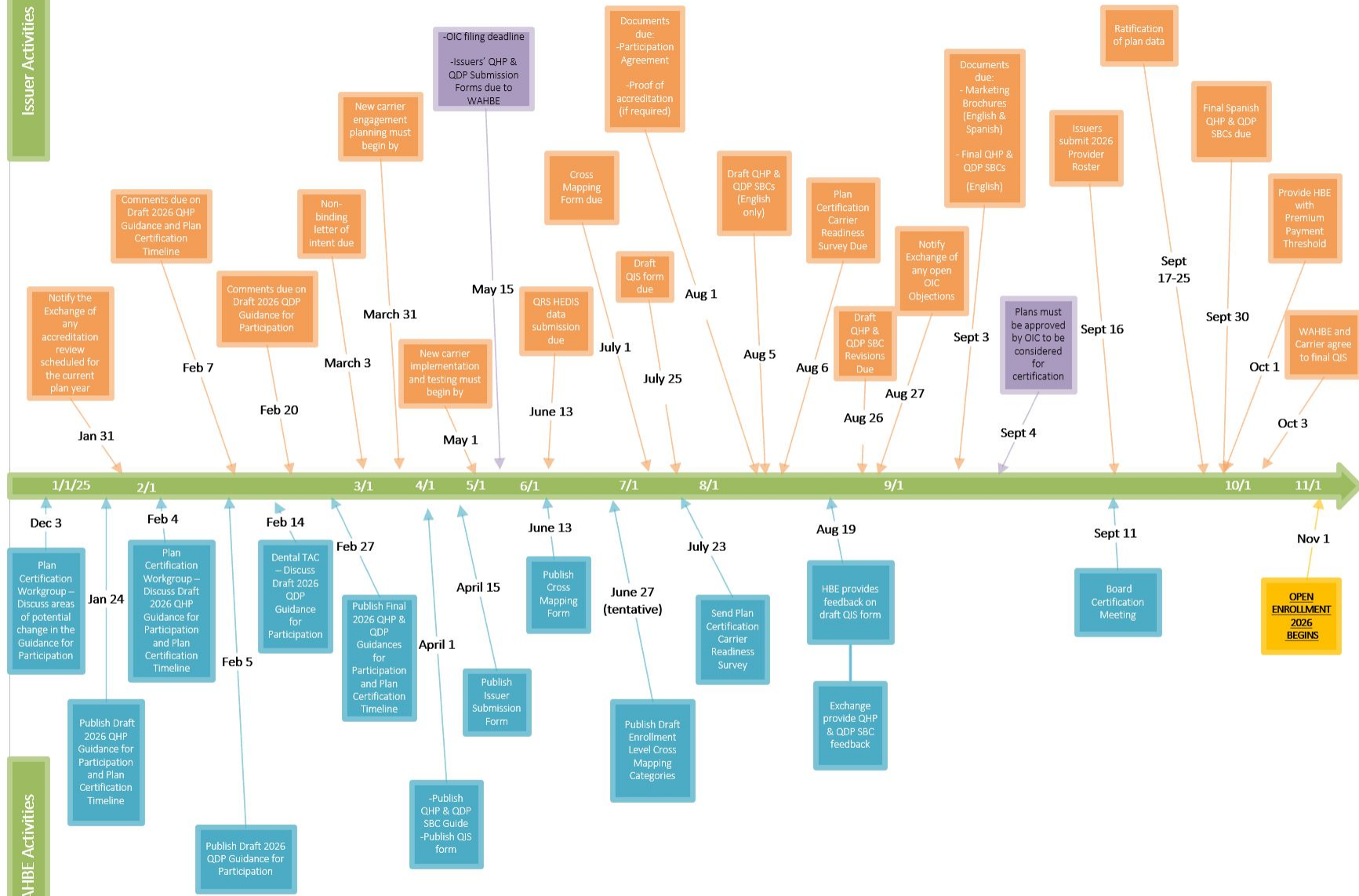


Final HBE Plan Certification Timeline for Plan Year 2026

Issuer Activities

WAHBE Activities



Notify the Exchange of any accreditation review scheduled for the current plan year

Comments due on Draft 2026 QHP Guidance and Plan Certification Timeline

Comments due on Draft 2026 QDP Guidance for Participation

Non-binding letter of intent due

New carrier engagement planning must begin by

-OIC filing deadline
-Issuers' QHP & QDP Forms due to WAHBE

Documents due:
-Participation Agreement
-Proof of accreditation (if required)

Cross Mapping Form due

Draft QIS form due

Draft QHP & QDP SBCs (English only)

Plan Certification Carrier Readiness Survey Due

Draft QHP & QDP SBC Revisions Due

Notify Exchange of any open OIC Objections

Documents due:
- Marketing Brochures (English & Spanish)
- Final QHP & QDP SBCs (English)

Issuers submit 2026 Provider Roster

Final Spanish QHP & QDP SBCs due

Provide HBE with Premium Payment Threshold

WAHBE and Carrier agree to final QIS

Plan Certification Workgroup - Discuss areas of potential change in the Guidance for Participation

Plan Certification Workgroup - Discuss Draft 2026 QHP Guidance for Participation and Plan Certification Timeline

Dental TAC - Discuss Draft 2026 QDP Guidance for Participation

Publish Final 2026 QHP & QDP Guidances for Participation and Plan Certification Timeline

Publish Issuer Submission Form

-Publish QHP & QDP SBC Guide
-Publish QIS form

Publish Cross Mapping Form

Publish Draft Enrollment Level Cross Mapping Categories

Send Plan Certification Carrier Readiness Survey

HBE provides feedback on draft QIS form

Board Certification Meeting

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