

# Supporting Pennsylvania's (PA's) Direct Care Workforce

Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Subcommittee Meeting  
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## About Us

At Frontline and The Training and Education Fund, we are committed to enhancing the quality of long-term care by empowering Frontline workers with the skills and knowledge they need.

We are innovators, educators, and problem solvers with focused expertise in developing and delivering engaging content efficiently and effectively.

## Direct Care Worker Job Quality Grants - \$600K

- Curriculum Development
  - 16 hours of curriculum for 4 specific needs “track”.
- Beta Testing
  - 10 participants in each track.
- Pilot
  - 100 Direct Care Workers complete all 4 tracks.

## Track 1: Aging and Physical Disabilities

- Lifelong disabilities
  - Autism
  - Cerebral palsy
  - Cystic fibrosis
  - Down syndrome
  - Spina bifida
  - Intellectual disabilities
- Diseases associated with aging





## Track 2: Cognitive, Mental, and Behavioral Health

- Alzheimer's disease and dementia
  - Understanding symptoms
  - Strategies for responding to challenging behaviors
- Mental Health First Aid Certification



## Track 3: Diabetes Care

- Endocrine system
- Types of diabetes
  - Signs
  - Symptoms
  - Treatment
  - Effects
- Proper nutrition
- Foot care

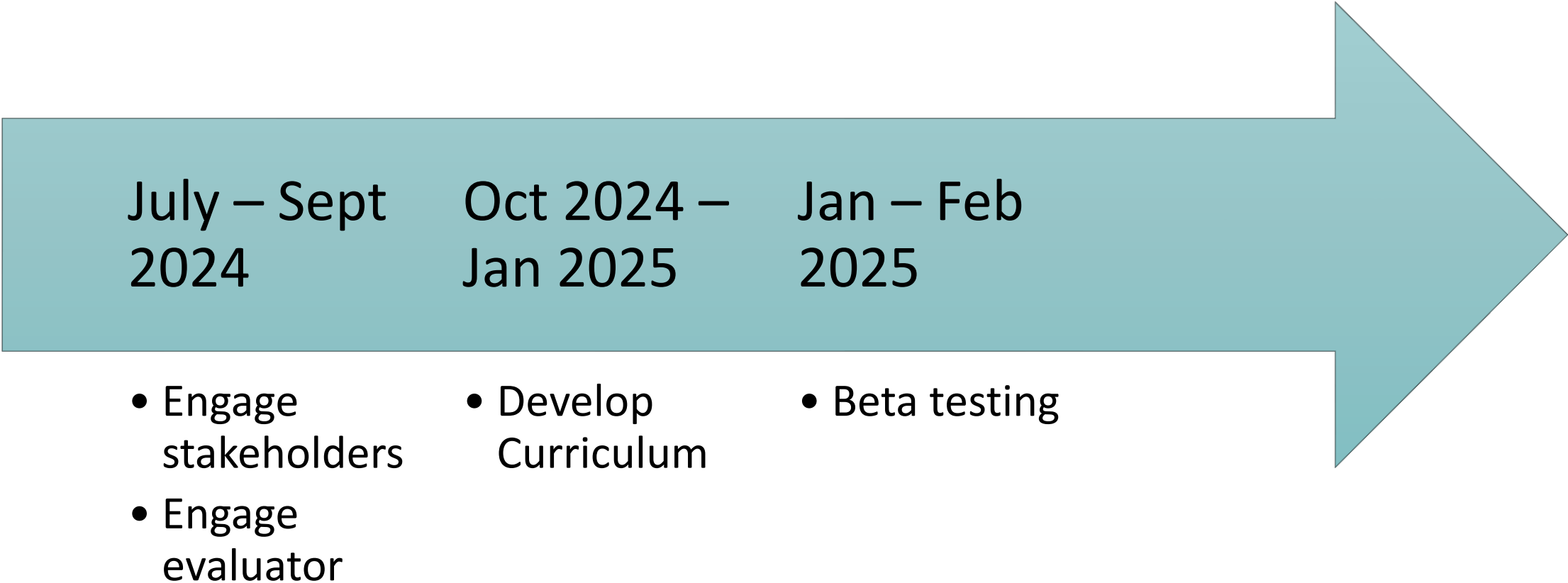


## Track 4: Sensory Impairments

- Blindness and other vision impairments
- Deafness and other hearing loss
- Sensory processing disorders

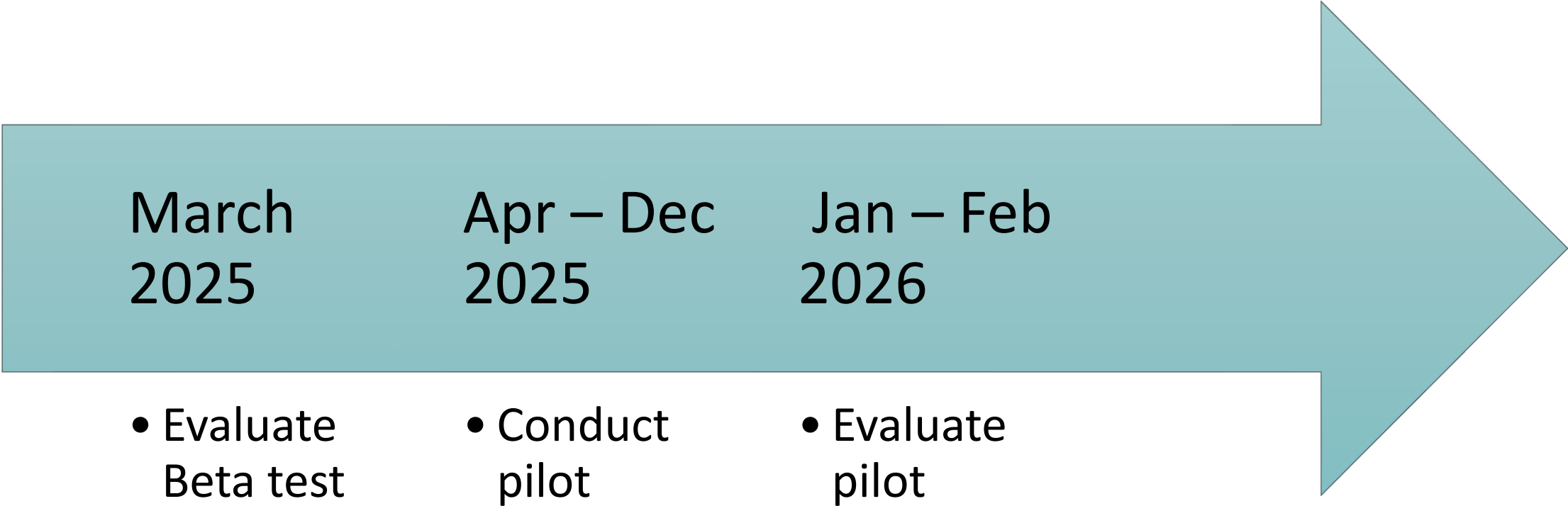


# Timeline





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