Children and Human Services Committee

February 24, 2026

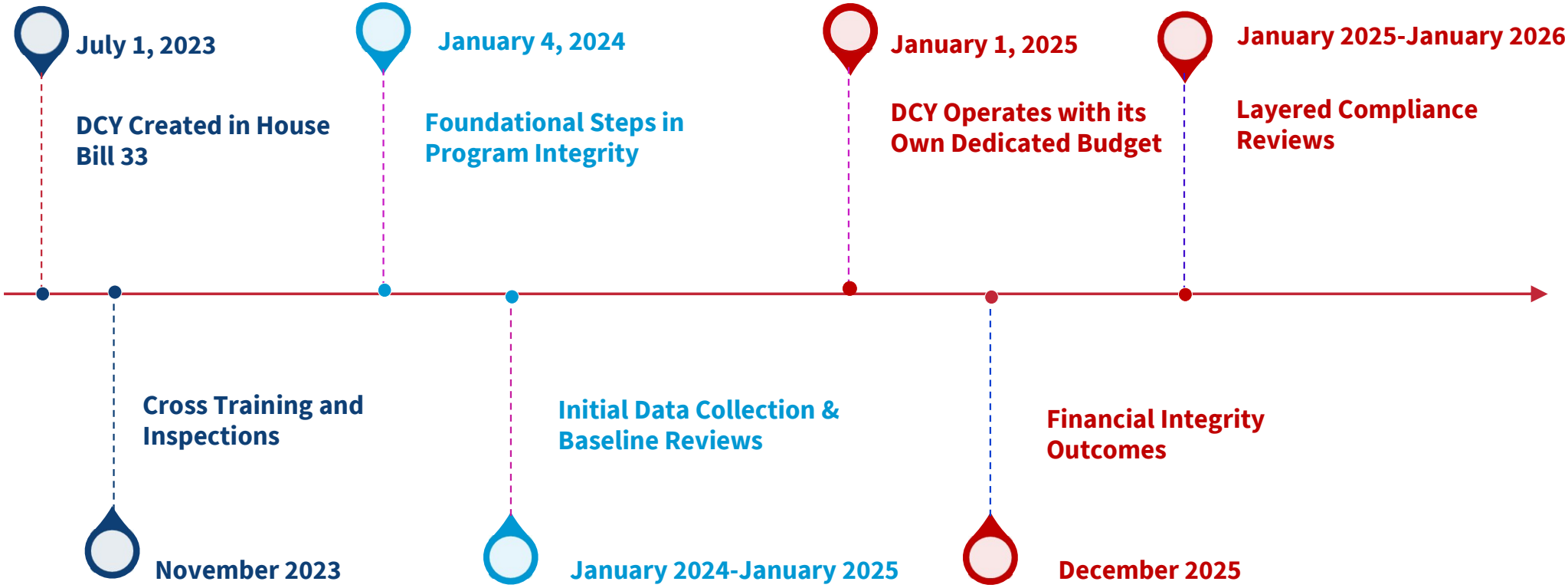
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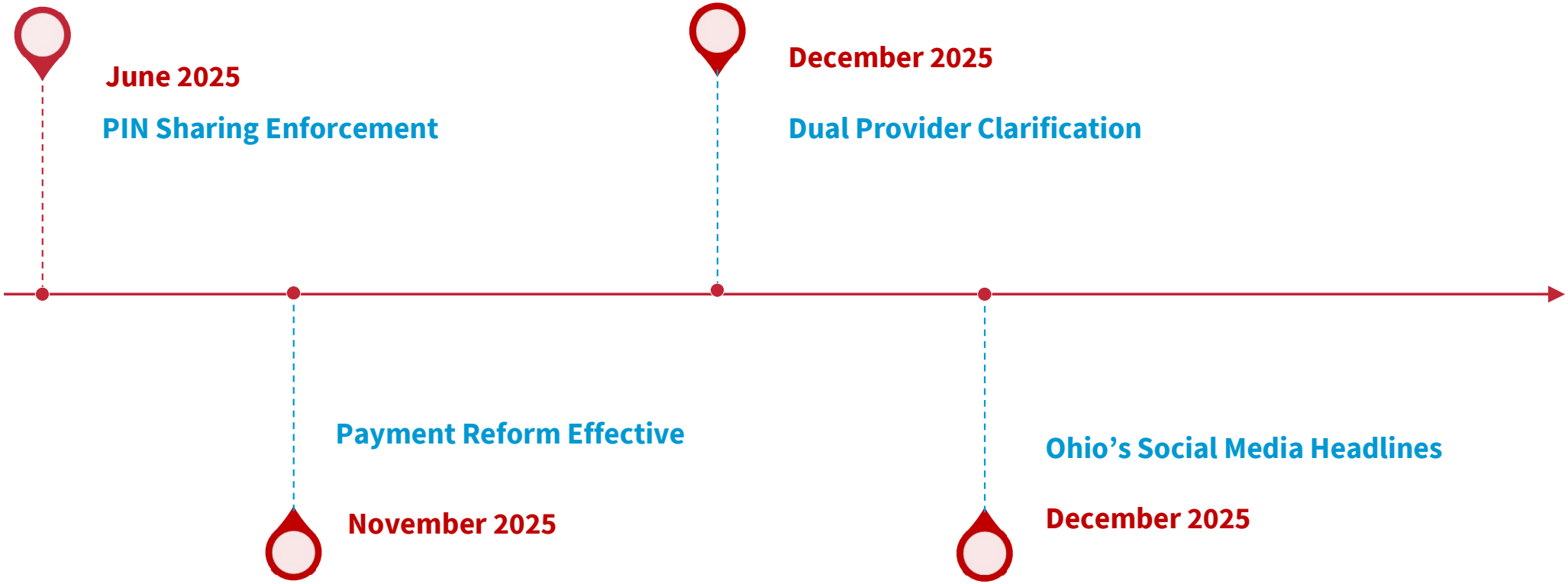
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PROGRAM INTEGRITY TIMELINE



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PROGRAM INTEGRITY POLICY UPDATES



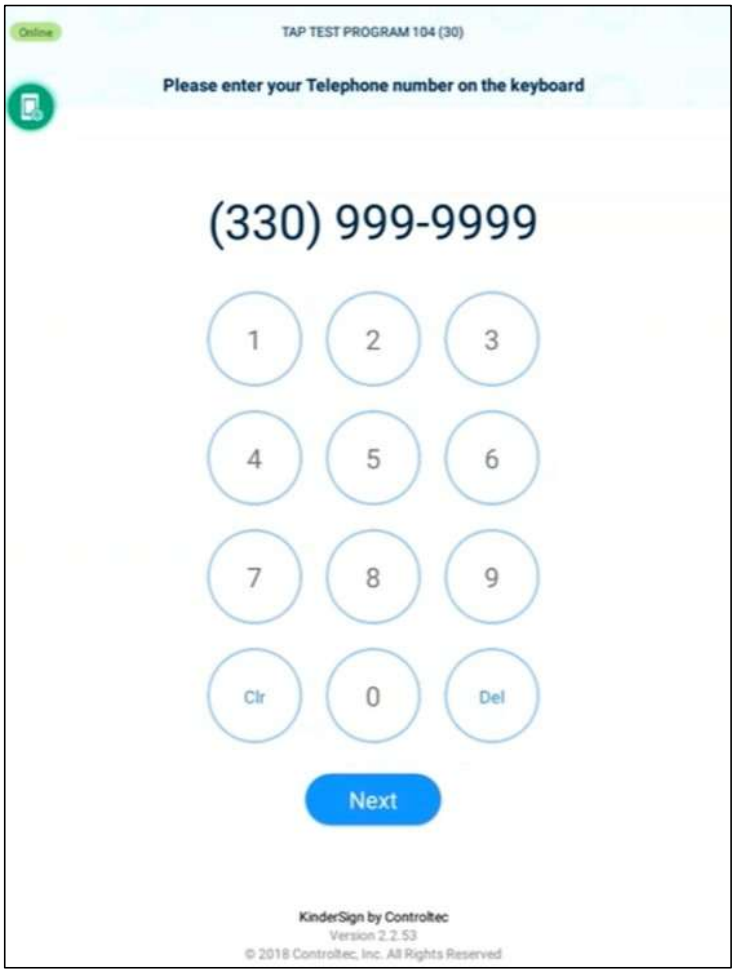
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ONGOING PROGRAM INTEGRITY (JANUARY 2026 – FORWARD)

- **January 2026**
  - Random Monthly Case Reviews Begin
  - Providers notified 1/2/2026
  - ~400 cases; 95% confidence statewide sample
  - Findings will drive program recommendations and improvements
- **March 2026**
  - Child Care Choice monitoring changes implemented.
- **2026 and Beyond**
  - Continued data pulls across all monitoring categories.
  - Development of ECE monitoring strategy ahead of Ohio Benefits transition.
  - Strengthening system safeguards to prevent duplicate payments.
  - Ongoing refinement of review methodologies.
  - Regular reporting to Executive Management on trends, risks, and outcomes.

KINDERSIGN TABLET APPLICATION

- Logging a child in:
  - Access the KinderSign application
  - Prompt to enter phone number



PIN # VERIFICATION

- Prompt to enter secure PIN #

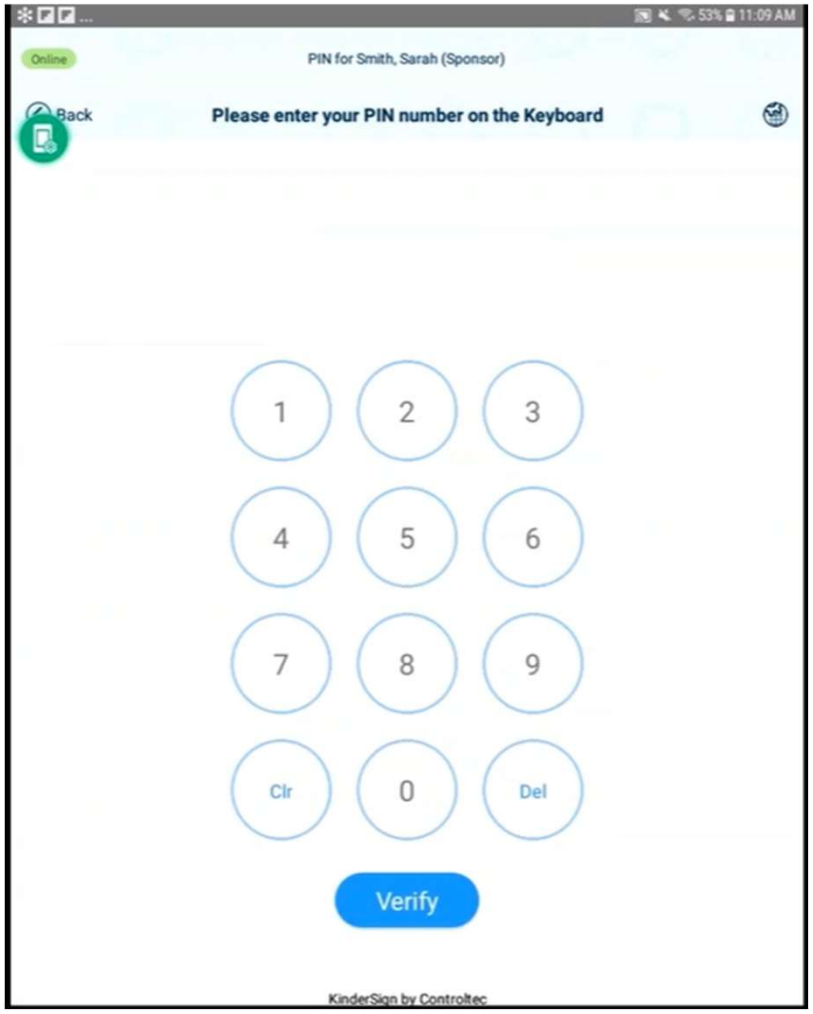
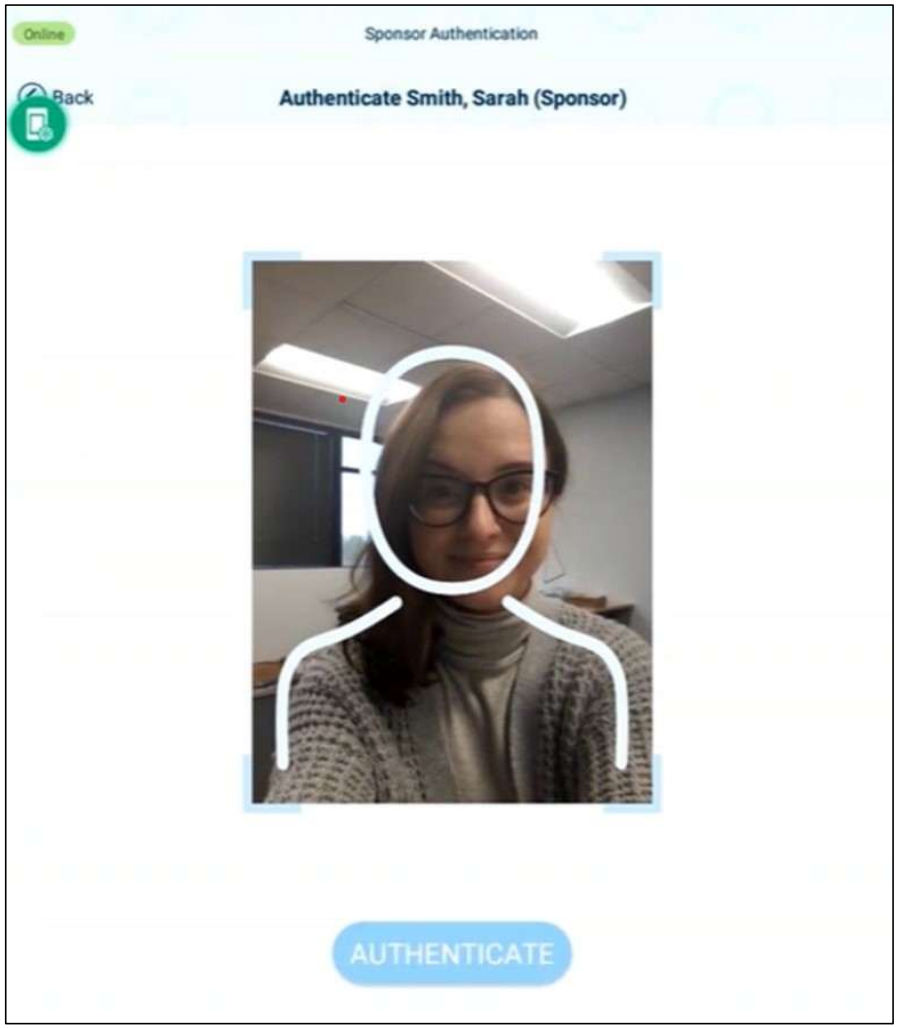


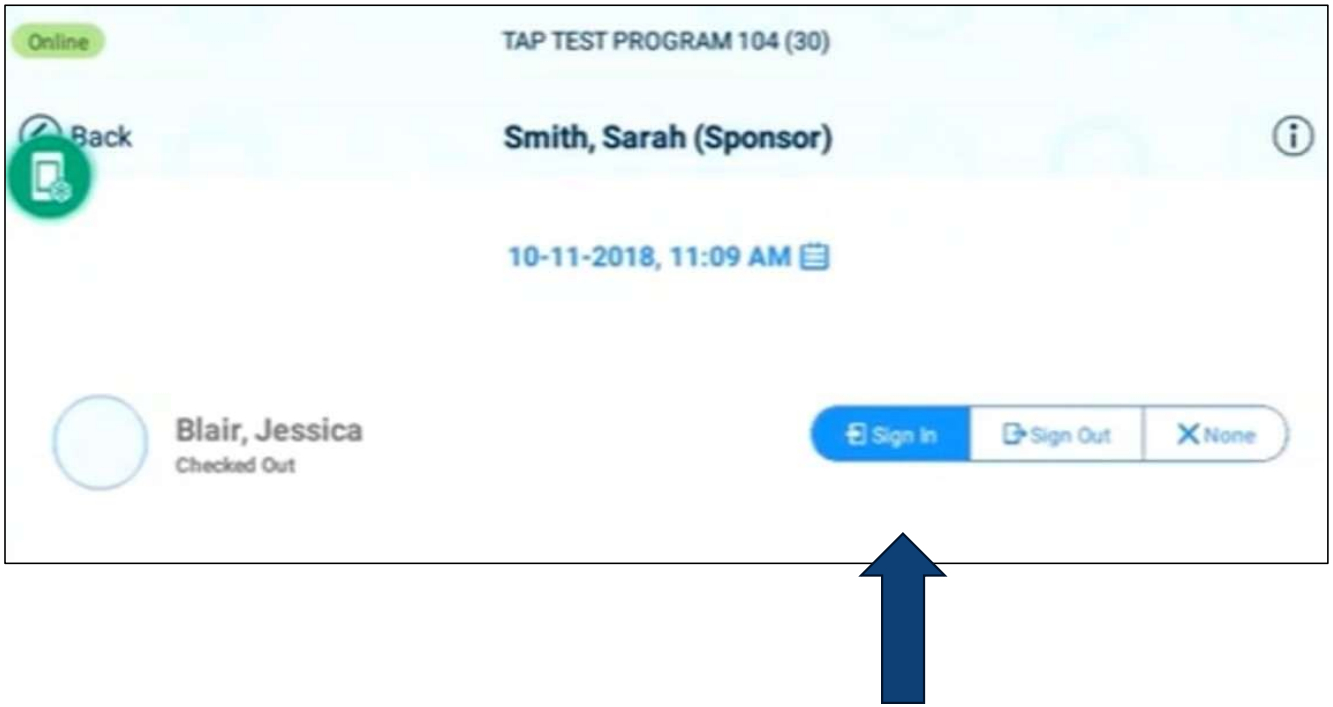
PHOTO VERIFICATION

- Prompt for photo identification



SIGN IN

- Tap the appropriate action:
  - Sign in
  - Attendance saved icon will appear
- Follow the same steps to sign out at the end of the day



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