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During the month of February 2022, NCHEMS has completed or started on the following project activities:

- The contract between NCHEMS and the Maryland Department of Legislative Services (DLS) was fully executed with a revised timeline reflecting the actual start date of the project.
- As described in the revised timeline, NCHEMS held virtual meetings with the staff of DLS to clarify expectations and activities. NCHEMS also met virtually with staff members at the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) to begin the process of getting specific information from them as described in the contract with DLS.
- NCHEMS began the process of reviewing MHEC's policies, procedures, structure, and process for academic review. That work will continue through April.
- The review of relevant state statutes and regulations has been initiated.
- Relevant information about the academic program review process has been requested from Maryland's 4-year institutions. It is due to be received in mid-March when NCHEMS will begin the analysis.
- NCHEMS has collected information and created templates to facilitate the analysis and benchmarking of other states' academic review processes (LA, OH, VA, AL, SC, AR, MS) to Maryland's.
- NCHEMS has scheduled campus visits and leaders' interviews that will take place in early April.