



FIDELITY CLEARING CANADA

# Conversion Process Overview – Transitioning Between Carrying Brokers

# Characteristics of a Successful Conversion

- ❖ Executive Participation and Oversight
- ❖ Resource Planning
- ❖ Effective Communication Plan
- ❖ An Agreed to Conversion Approach
- ❖ Diligent Project Management
- ❖ Effective Training Plan

# Project Management Considerations

- ❖ Determine key project contacts on your end who can make decisions and who will have time available for conversion meetings and documentation reviews.
- ❖ Think about special internal processes that you may have or account breakdowns (ie Fee-based accounts, accounts with special handling, etc)
- ❖ Consider policies or processes that you want to review and potentially change
- ❖ Advise on any key information/requirements or potential show-stoppers.

# Training Considerations

- ❖ Consider clean-ups of your control accounts/error accounts
- ❖ Ensure that Dataphile has been successfully installed on every desktop
- ❖ Ensure that all userids and accesses have been tested (ie do they work, does each user have the requested level of access, do they see all of their accounts, etc.)
- ❖ Ask Advisors/Assistants to login and tour the application as they would use it during a regular business day (ie print reports, look at account summaries, mimick playing of an order, etc.)
- ❖ Request additional training if there is a need for a refresher.

# Client Communication & Update

- ❖ Consider approaches to advising your end clients
- ❖ Formal client letter and broadcast message on your website is very effective.
- ❖ Publish old and new statements/trade confirmations to your Advisors so they are comfortable with the look and feel.
- ❖ Maybe publish to your website the old/new confirms and statements so that clients are aware of the new aesthetic; if not on your website, ensure those clients who are particular about this are made aware.
- ❖ Consolidate statement mailing for transition month
  - ❖ Put both old and new statements on hold and have them hand stuffed into one envelope
  - ❖ Prepare a covering letter explaining the transition mechanics and how to understand the statement activity

# Advisor & Branch Communication

- ❖ Put conversion updates out to your staff – Fidelity prepares a weekly executive summary that can be shared broadly.
- ❖ Publish the Fidelity conversion calendar and key cut-off dates to your branches so they're aware of the process and relevant dates.
- ❖ Encourage branches to be part of the quality assurance review of Account Mapping and Asset Conversion.
- ❖ Invite Fidelity to a branch roadshow to provide a formal introduction and answer any questions the branches may have.
- ❖ Website, bulletins and site visits are very effective means of regular communication.

# Conversion Quality Assurance & Controls

- On conversion weekend, have staff available to compare their accounts (balances + positions) between the old and new platforms to both validate their results and increase confidence in the process.
- Identify key Advisors and/or key clients who accounts/holdings should be sampled as a means of validations. It's recommended to validate this sample set if there's concern they would be most affected/concerned about the conversion results.

# First Trade Date

Ensure that you have access to your old systems to do compares

Ensure that everyone logs into their systems and is has the appropriate access levels

FCC representation is on hand- use them as required.



# Client Conversion Overview

## A Successful Transition

### Objectives

#### Discuss and Understand:

- Transition Methodology & Planning
- Team Structure & Roles
- Key Deliverables
- Communication Plan
- Training Plan
- Experiences with Similar Clients
- Risk Identification and Mitigation

### FCC Solution & Experience

#### Experienced and Seasoned Team

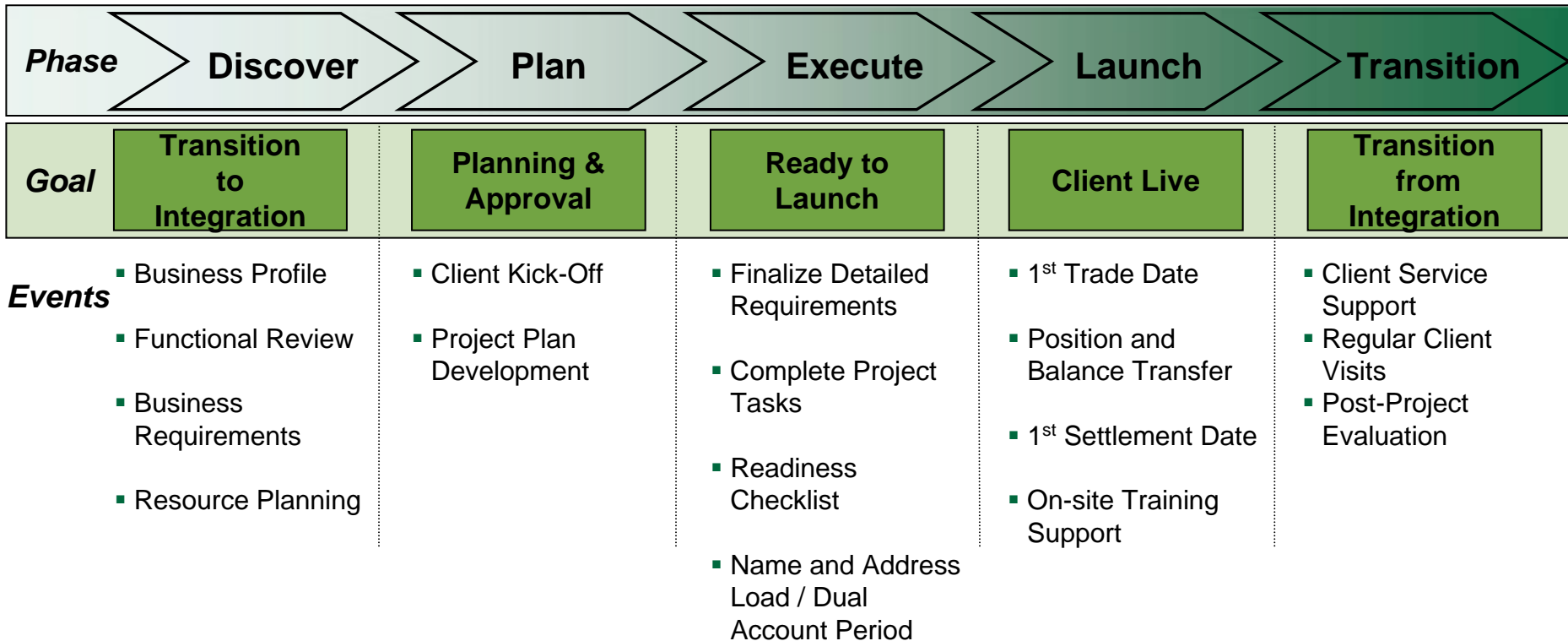
- Extensive Experience Integrating New Broker Dealers at FCC and at other Clearing Firms
- Consultative Transition Approach
- Leverage Technology Tool Box to automate transition of Key Information

### Desired Results

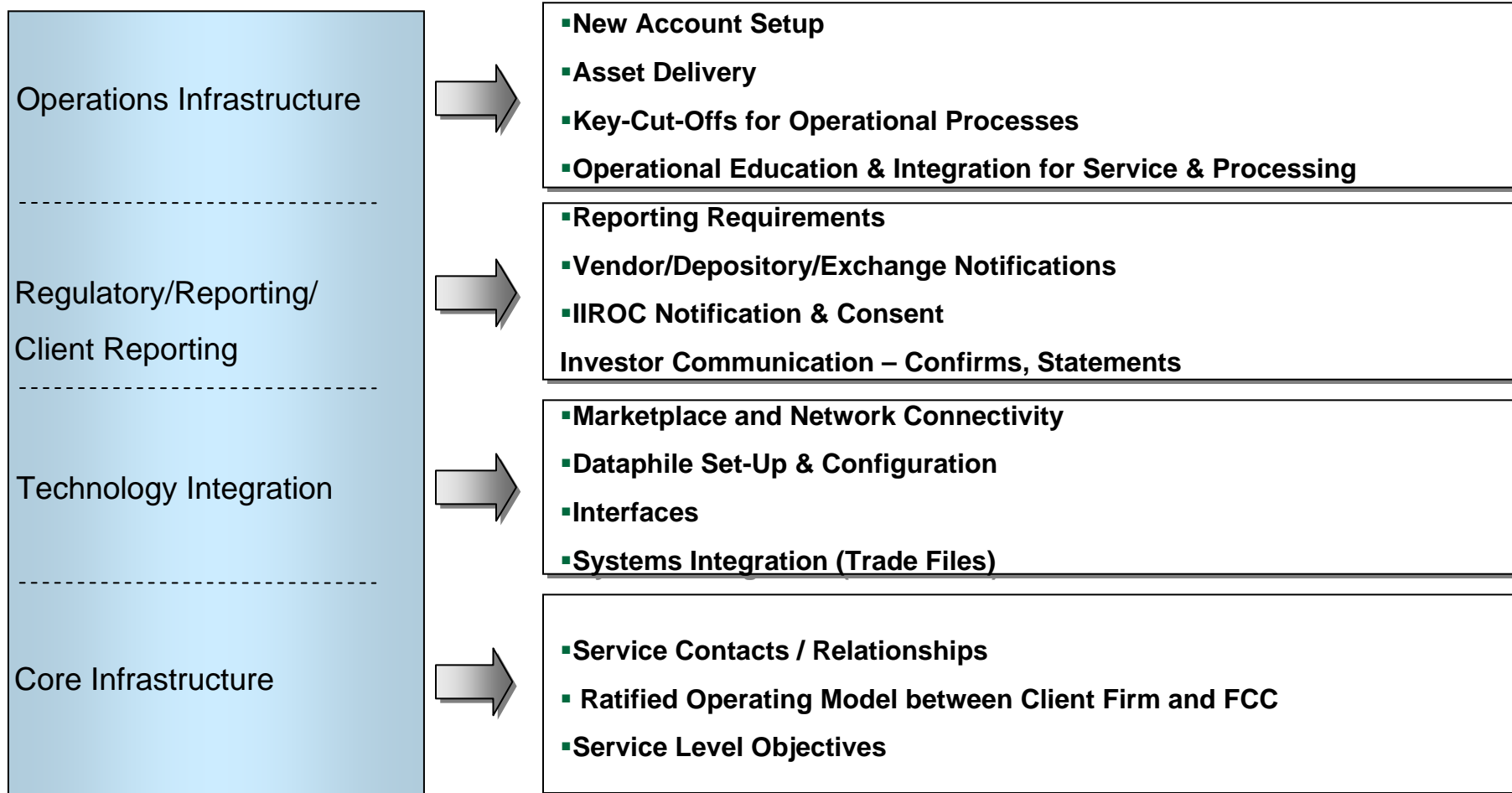
#### Deliverables

- All of our mutual Expectations Achieved
- Positive Client Firm and Client Firm Experience
- Realize Improved Operational Efficiency
- Identify Areas for Further Improvement
- Identify new Partnership Opportunities

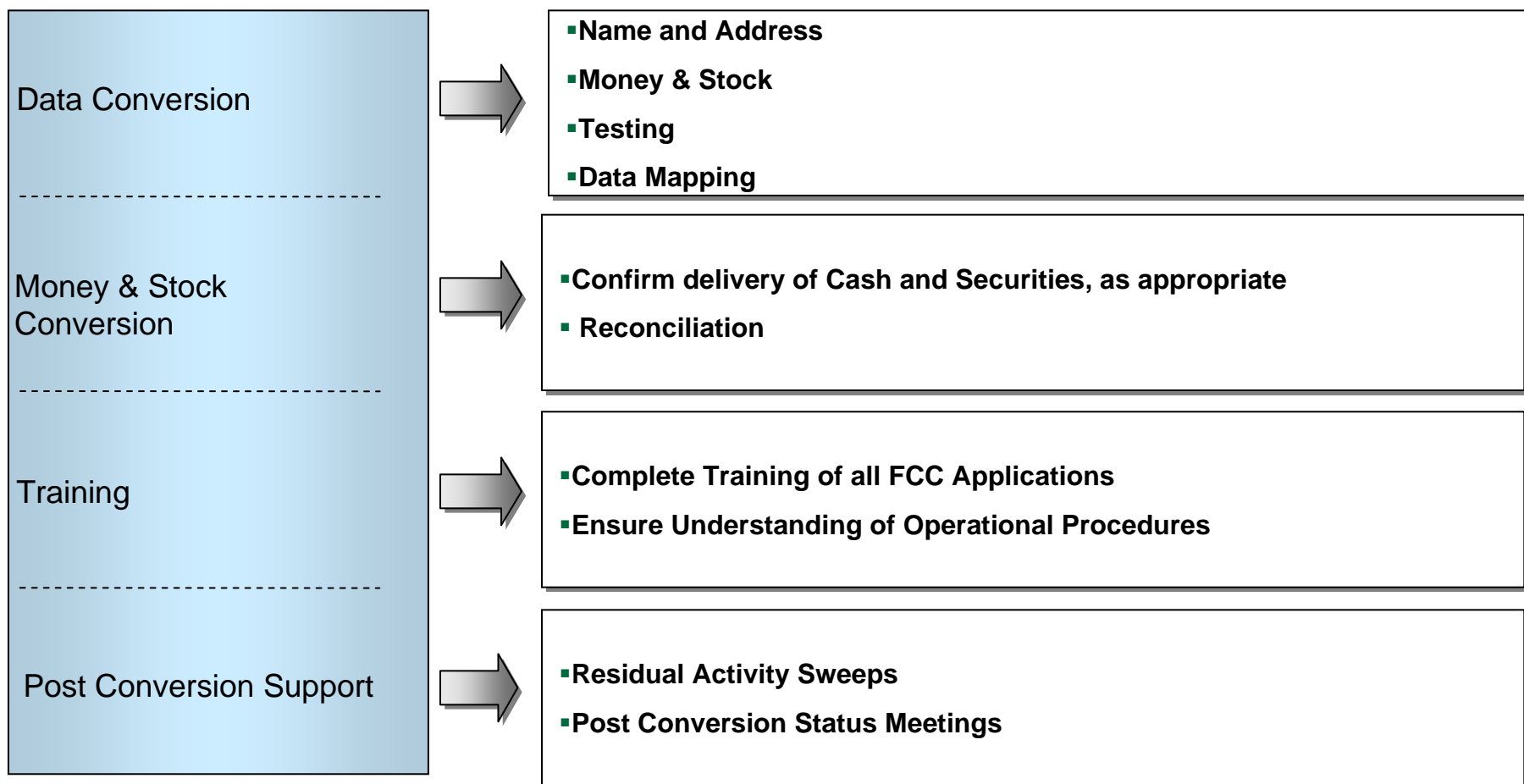
# Conversion Process



# Key Deliverables



# Key Deliverables (continued)



# Project Management Tools

Tools	Description	Timing
<b>Microsoft® Project Plan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Detailed plan of all activities &amp; task to take place &amp;</li><li>▪ ownership of all tasks</li></ul>	On-going
<b>Conversion Overview Document</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Defines project objectives, scope, timing, and team resources from all parties involved. Is an evolving document</li></ul>	On-going
<b>Project Status Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Dashboard provides a snapshot of project milestones, key decisions, reporting period accomplishments, and issues</li></ul>	Weekly
<b>Readiness Checklist</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Detailed checklist used to status all project components to determine Client Firm and FCC readiness prior to launch</li></ul>	Reviewed prior to Launch phase
<b>Action Items List</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Actively manage, prioritize, and resolution of post-conversion open items</li></ul>	Weekly (if necessary)

# Typical Conversion Stages: **Discovery**, **Set-Up**, **Conversion**, **Launch**, **Transition**

Client Firm / Fidelity	June 7		June 14		June 21		June 28		July 5		July 12		July 15		July 19	
Information Gathering	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery								
Bulk Account Opening		Set-Up														
Parallel Account Opening			Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up		
Trade File Testing			Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery	Discovery								
Report Development			Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Set-Up	Conversion	Conversion						
Training			Discovery	Conversion	Conversion	Transition	Transition	Transition	Transition	Transition						
Conversion			Discovery	Conversion	Conversion	Transition	Transition	Transition								
First Trade Date						Discovery	Conversion	Transition	Transition	Transition						
First Settlement							Conversion	Conversion	Transition	Transition						
Business As Usual								Discovery	Discovery	Conversion	Conversion	Transition	Transition	Transition		