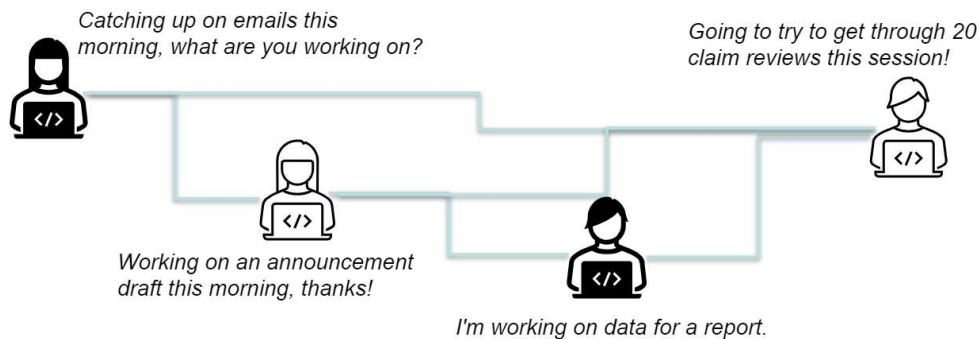


# Virtual Co-Working Pods and Lunch-and-Learn Events Are In Development!

Feeling alone or disconnected while working from home? Working in your Commonwealth office building and miss your coworkers who are teleworking? **Virtual Co-Working Pod Sessions and Lunch-and-Learn Sessions are in development as a way for staff to combat feeling alone.**

ODP is currently piloting these virtual sessions in Teams, where colleagues can work and learn together in a shared environment. The below image with alternative text illustrates how a Structured Co-Working Pod session starts off- with a brief introduction of the task goals:



## What We're Working On:

### Structured Co-Working Pod Sessions

- Solo work in a small group Teams call, using Teams functions to track tasking
- Created for connecting and accountability, typically with video on and audio off during the focused solo work time
- *Status: Piloting now – with a How-To Guide in draft phase*

### Unstructured Co-Working Pod Sessions

- Solo work in a small group Teams call set up as a “drop in” Teams call
- Casual, may be best for focusing on large projects and busy staff to join or leave at will
- *Status: Piloting now – with a How-To Guide in draft phase*

### Virtual Lunch-and-Learn Event led by Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)

- A presentation-style Teams session to highlight positions, applications/systems, and expertise areas to understand how our roles connect and serve the Commonwealth
- Focused on learning, supporting, and connecting
- *Status: Piloting next – look for updates and a scheduled Lunch-and-Learn Session soon!*

**Want to get started in Virtual Co-Working Pods or Lunch-and-Learn?**

Please complete this survey: <https://forms.office.com/g/3d6HWkvzUP>

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