



Behavioral Health Matters

*"Only those who will risk going too far, can possibly find out how far one can go."
T.S. Eliot*



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Dear Community Partner:

Welcome to "Behavioral Health Matters," the new FBHP quarterly electronic newsletter with updates and information on behavioral health benefits and services for Medicaid members

FBHP is the Behavioral Health Organization (BHO) that manages mental health and substance use disorder (SUD) benefits for people who have Medicaid and live in Boulder, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Gilpin, and Jefferson Counties. We'll be

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Helpful Resources

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[Advocates For Recovery](#)

An organization dedicated to supporting recovery from addiction through training of peer recovery

sending this quarterly electronic newsletter to inform our community partners and interested individuals about our services, so that you may help our Medicaid members access mental health and SUD Services.



FBHP would like to wish all our readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year! Thank you for your partnership and support of our e-newsletter!

Updates & Developments

Latest News Regarding Changes in Colorado's Medicaid System



The evolution of Colorado's public behavioral health system continues. Here are some recent changes that have taken place since the last

coaches and providing advocacy for the addiction-recovery community.

[The Arc of Colorado](#)

A statewide advocacy organization that works to build better lives for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families, by improving connections to schools, work and the community

[Colorado Mental Wellness Network](#)

A grassroots organization run by, and for individuals with mental health challenges, dedicated to providing support through education, advocacy, and peer services.

[Federation for Families for Children's Mental Health](#)

A national family-run organization focused on the issues of children and youth with emotional, behavioral, or mental health needs and their families.

[MHAC \(Mental Health America of Colorado\)](#)

A statewide chapter of a national organization, which strives to promote mental health, expand access to services, and transform systems of health care.

[NAMI \(National Alliance for Mental Illness\) Colorado](#)

A statewide nonprofit organization whose mission is to give strength and hope to individuals with mental illness and their families.

newsletter:

* Katherine Jantz, the Health Care Policy and Finance (HCPF) Accountable Care Collaborative (ACC) Strategy Lead has resigned.

* In response to feedback from the community and evolving guidance from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the Department has decided to adjust the procurement timeline for Phase II of the ACC and begin the next phase on July 1, 2018.

* The Joint Budget Committee demanded HCPF implement additional ACO-like entities called for in the 1115 Waiver that created the Rocky Mountain Health Plan. This Waiver between CMS & HCPF required changes in state law codified in [H.B. 1281](#) (FBHP intends to be an essential partner in seeking that opportunity to be the next ACO-like entity in Colorado.)

The Behavioral Health Organization (BHO) Directors have been working on addressing what parts of the current BHO system should remain in the new RAE system; i.e. coordinated care delivery systems, care management incentives for step down services, active Utilization Management, continued management of SUD services, expansion of relevant "shoulder" services, i.e. Developmental Disabilities with behavioral issues, Traumatic Brain Injury, etc. Additionally the BHO Directors are building a set of benchmarks of the current system.

The Colorado Behavioral Health Care Council (CBHC) has been building a Legislative agenda that addresses keeping the best parts of the BHO system. This involves conducting an evaluation of the savings the BHO system has delivered to Colorado and contacting a policy consulting firm for a proposal to construct a model integrated system for Colorado by considering our current system and the best elements from other states.

CBHC additionally has started a group looking at whether CO should seek funding as one of the eight states implementing the [Certified Community Behavioral Health Center \(CCBHC\) systems in the Excellence in Mental Health Act](#) . The requirements to be a CCBHC are very different from our current system, so the decision is not one to be entertained

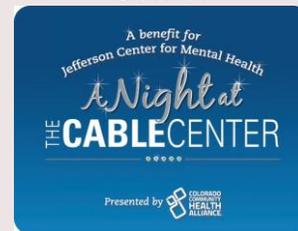


Walk for a Good Cause
NAMWalks Kickoff in March!
Sunday, March 13, 5-7 p.m.
Centennial Park
[RSVP HERE](#)

Mental Health Center Happenings



A Night at The Cable Center



Jefferson Center is hosting a benefit! To donate a silent auction item or for more information, call Jill Hartmann at 303-432-5144. Tickets available beginning in February at www.jcmh.org

April 14, 2016, 6:00 - 9:00pm
The Cable Center
2000 Buchtel Blvd., Denver

Free "Art of Hope" 2016
Calendar

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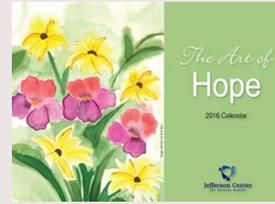
FBHP continues to work with its community partners in striving to be a significant part of our local Regional Accountable Entity.

The Care Management Program



FBHP and our partners, under the leadership of Drs. John Talbot, Matt Meyer and Kiara Kuenzler continue to plan and shape the care management program to fit better within the Community Mental Health and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) service components. This program seeks to address high cost plan members currently not receiving special services. Our technology guidance for the program comes from the literature on patient engagement and improved adherence. Our [Intervention Model](#) is the one endorsed by CMS.

Peer Credentialing Process Delayed



Jefferson Center for Mental Health is proud to support and showcase artwork produced by Jefferson Center clients through the "Art of Hope" calendar.

You can request a free copy, learn more about the artwork, or purchase any of the art in the calendar by calling Jennifer Lee at 303-432-5167

Wellness Classes



Jefferson Center offers dozens of low-cost wellness classes. Click [here](#) to browse the catalog



MHP Emergency Services office has moved



The MHP Walk-In Center and Emergency Psychiatric Service has moved to 3180 Airport Rd



Matt Sundeen, the Executive Director of Colorado Provider Association (COPA) has let us know that the Peer Credentialing Board is having some technical difficulties that are delaying their ability to launch the peer credential. The launch date has been pushed back by a couple of months. Please know that COPA is working diligently on their database issues to get the credential up and running as soon as possible. They want take additional time to make sure the process is as smooth as possible in order to alleviate problems when people start the application process.

Our Condolences ...



Tragic Fire at Creative Treatment Options
We would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to Creative Treatment Options, (CTO), one of our

in Boulder, from its previous location at the organization's Ryan Wellness Center in Boulder. Phone numbers remain unchanged.

Integrated Health Home Collaborative Project Goes Live



February 1st marked the go-live date for the new Boulder Health Integration Partners (BHIP) Integrated Health Home, Mental Health Partners' collaborative project with Clinica Family Health and Dental Aid at the Ryan Wellness Center, 1000 Alpine Ave., Boulder. This clinic offers fully-integrated physical and behavioral health services full time Monday through Friday, with dental services every other Monday. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 303-443-8500.

Need More Info? Contact Us ...

Office Location

Foothills Behavioral Health
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Westminster, CO 80031
303-432-5951

To obtain information about services available to Medicaid members, please contact one of the following organizations:

Foothills Behavioral Health Partners

(866) 245-1959 Toll Free
(800) 432-9553 TTY
(303) 432-5950 Office

SUD providers. CTO's main location, 6745 Wadsworth Blvd, experienced a terrible fire on January 2, 2016. The building was badly damaged, and more tragically, John Rutter, an addictions counselor employed there, did not escape the fire. Our hearts go out to his co-workers, clients, family, and friends.

CTO is offering treatment services at a new location - 1410 Vance St, in Arvada, as well as at their second location - 494 Sheridan Blvd, #C102 in Denver.

Jefferson Center for Mental Health

www.jeffersonmentalhealth.org
(303) 425-0300

Mental Health Partners

www.mhpcolorado.org
(303) 443-8500

Independent Provider Network

1-866-245-1959

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