



## Colorado Community Health Alliance Awarded Contract to Expand Medical Home Network

### *Thousands of Medicaid Recipients to Benefit from Pilot Program*

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The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing has awarded the Regional Care Collaborative Organization (RCCO) contract for Region 6 to Colorado Community Health Alliance (CCHA). The contract will allow CCHA, a newly-created partnership between Centura Health, Physician Health Partners and Primary Physician Partners, to collaboratively combine the efforts of physicians, hospitals, safety net providers and community service organizations to provide coordinated case management and administrative services to Medicaid recipients in Jefferson, Boulder, Broomfield, Clear Creek and Gilpin counties.

CCHA, through its founding organizations, will work diligently as the RCCO for Region 6, using a primary care case management model to expand the Medicaid provider network, while fully maintaining and supporting the traditional providers, such as Federally Qualified Health Centers, Rural Health Centers, physicians and community service organizations. With the extensive resources of Centura Health, Primary Physician Partners and Physician Health Partners, CCHA is well positioned to expand medical home efforts for thousands of Medicaid recipients.

"We are thrilled with the opportunity to work with the state to provide high quality health care to thousands of Medicaid recipients in Colorado," said Alan Lazaroff, MD, Chairman of the CCHA board. "We will develop programs and provide resources to treat not only individual health problems, but also improve the overall health of our community."

Primary activities of CCHA include:

- Support the excellent work of traditional Medicaid safety net providers
- Increase the involvement of primary care providers not currently participating in the Medicaid program through additional reimbursement and support services
- Expand medical home approaches for Medicaid recipients
- Engage community stakeholders including consumers and advocates in guiding the RCCO development and operation
- Collaborate with the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, RCCOs, and others in successfully establishing medical homes for all Medicaid recipients in Colorado

In the Initial Phase of the program, the RCCO will pilot their efforts with at least 8,600 Medicaid recipients in Region 6, including children currently involved in the Colorado Children's Healthcare Access Program sponsored by The Children's Hospital. After the first year, the state will evaluate the progress and if successful, expand services and coverage within Region 6 for additional years.

**About Colorado Community Health Alliance (CCHA):**

CCHA was formed in 2010 as a collaboration between Centura Health, the state's largest health care provider, Primary Physician Partners and Physician Health Partners. Centura Health is committed to expanding access to clinical services that improve the health status of all Coloradans. Primary

Physician Partners is an independent practice association comprised of more than 170 primary care physicians. Physician Health Partners is a physician-driven management company focused on quality and outcome initiatives for more than 200 physicians in the Denver Metro Area. The skills and services Physician Health Partners and Primary Physician Partners have successfully developed over the last 15 years make them ideal to provide clinical and administrative management and oversight.

**About the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing:** The department administers the Medicaid and Child Health Plan *Plus* programs as well as a variety of other programs for Colorado's low-income, elderly and people with disabilities. The mission of the department is to improve access to cost-effective, quality health care services for Coloradans. For more information about the department, please visit [www.Colorado.gov/hcpf](http://www.Colorado.gov/hcpf).

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