



Colorado Covering Kids and Families

**Denver Outreach Partners
Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015**

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<p>DOP Member Updates</p>	<p>Based on feedback from community partners, the Piton Foundation is not conducting a health coverage outreach campaign this year. However, health coverage outreach materials from 2014 have been updated with 2015 information. The Piton Foundation will not be printing or mailing outreach materials, but materials are available to download from the Piton Foundation's website here.</p> <p>Delta Dental will begin offering dental services at the Center Point Kaiser Permanente facility for Kaiser Permanente Medicaid and Child Health Plan <i>Plus</i> (CHP+) clients.</p> <p>Delta Dental Foundation is working to increase CHP+ dental benefit utilization. Many families do not realize they have dental benefits. Delta Dental Foundation is developing educational materials to provide to clients explaining their dental benefits.</p> <p>Cooking Matters offers cooking classes to low-income Coloradans to teach participants how to utilize their SNAP benefits.</p>	<p>Contact Courtney Sabine (csabine@garycommunity.org) for more information.</p> <p>Educational materials will be provided at the Dec. 8 DOP meeting.</p>
<p>Colorado Health Access Survey (CHAS) and Zip Code Analysis – <i>Natalie Tiedman</i></p>	<p>View the presentation here.</p> <p>Colorado's uninsured rate is 6.7 percent. It was highest in 2011 at 15.8 percent. Denver's uninsurance rate is 9.5 percent. It was highest in 2011 at 20.9 percent. These numbers do not take into account documentation status. The Colorado Health Institute (CHI) will release a report in December that looks at the eligible but not enrolled numbers to determine how uninsurance rates may be impacted by the undocumented.</p>	<p>Contact CHI (CHAS@coloradohealthinstitute.org) for more information based on CHAS data.</p>

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	<p>Nineteen to 29 year olds are most in need of coverage at 21.1 percent uninsured in Denver. This age group showed the largest drop in uninsured rates since 2013. 2.4 percent of children in Denver are uninsured; this equates to 3,553 children.</p> <p>When asked the reason for not having insurance, most respondents indicated the cost is too high. Most survey respondents who selected they do not know how to get insurance indicated they do not know how to pick a plan.</p>	
<p>HCPF Updates – <i>Lisa Sterling</i></p>	<p>Social Security Title II Income Eligibility Error The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) urges families with children receiving Social Security Title II benefits who applied before March 1, 2015, and were denied Medicaid, CHP+, or financial assistance through Connect for Health Colorado to reapply. An example of Title II income would be Social Security Disability Income, survivor’s benefits, retirement income, or equivalent Railroad Retirement Benefits. Applications including these types of income may have received an incorrect eligibility determination. Household income for applicants who applied after March 1, 2015, was calculated correctly.</p> <p>Pain Management Resources and Opioid Use HCPF is following the Governor's Task Force lead in reducing the misuse of prescription opioids. To support this goal there will be limitations on morphine equivalents and pill quantities in order to reduce client utilization of short-acting opioids and maintain or improve client level of stability and functionality. The most effective pain relief combination is 200mg of ibuprofen and 500mg of acetaminophen. For more information, visit HCPF’s pain management website.</p> <p>Newborn Updates to CBMS, PEAK, and PEAKHealth Mobile App As part of the October system improvements, several important updates make it easier to access health coverage for newborns through Medicaid and CHP+. New mothers currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHP+ and their family members can now add a newborn to their case through their online Colorado Program Eligibility and Application Kit (PEAK account) or through</p>	

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	<p>the PEAKHealth mobile app. To add the baby, simply select the mother's name, and report the baby's name, date of birth, and sex, and the newborn can be added to the case and is immediately eligible for health coverage. Also, PEAKHealth mobile app users can now add a pregnancy via the mobile app. This feature is already available through PEAK accounts. The Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS) was also updated to make it easier and faster to add a newborn to a CHP+ or Medicaid case. In addition, for new mothers enrolled in CHP+, after the baby is added to the mother's case, CBMS will now automatically enroll the baby into CHP+ until the child's first birthday. This process already existed for new mothers enrolled in Medicaid.</p> <p>Diabetes Self-Management Education Program Services for accredited Diabetes Self-Management Education to Medicaid members with type one, two, or gestational diabetes is a covered benefit as of July 1, 2015. This benefit provides up to 10 hours of diabetes-related training within a consecutive 12-month period following the submission of the first claim for the benefit which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One hour for either a group or individual assessment • Nine hours for group-only diabetes education • Up to two hours of follow-up training each year after the initial 12-month period • The training can be performed in any combination of 30-minute increments <p>For more information, contact Christine Fallabel or visit the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's website.</p> <p>ACC Reattribution Beginning in November 2015, and ongoing on a quarterly basis, HCPF will reattribute a subset of Accountable Care Collaborative (ACC) members who already have been assigned to a Primary Care Medical Provider (PCMP). While most ACC clients are attributed accurately to the primary care provider who they see for most of their general health care, this change will re-assign ACC clients who have changed their utilization patterns</p>	

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	<p>(perhaps because of a move or other life event) and whose recent claims data indicates that they are seeing a new provider for most of their primary care. This adjustment will improve the accuracy of a provider's ACC panel by an average of 17 percent. This change will not impact any clients who made an active choice of their PCMP by calling HealthColorado. Affected clients will be notified of the change to their PCMP assignment by letter.</p> <p>Email Service for CBOs The CBMS/PEAK Communications Team is in the process of preparing a new email service for community-based organizations (CBOs), cdhs_PEAKEnews@state.co.us.</p> <p>CBO staff and other interested parties who opt-in to this email service will receive information about changes to PEAK functionality and navigation, system outages, and changes in policy for all of the programs for which clients can apply through PEAK.</p> <p>The email service is scheduled to launch in December 2015. To opt-in, please email the following information: Subject: SUBSCRIBE Message: First and last name CBO name Email address</p> <p>If at any time you want to unsubscribe, provide the same information to cdhs_PEAKEnews@state.co.us, Subject: Unsubscribe.</p>					
<p>Denver Human Services (DHS) Updates – <i>Kathy Crusan-Ford</i></p>	<p>LEAP Season Began on Nov. 1, 2015 In 2015, income levels increased to 165 percent of the Federal Poverty Level to allow more families to qualify for Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP). Income levels based on household size are as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="420 1304 1201 1390"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="420 1304 795 1344">Household size</th> <th data-bbox="795 1304 1201 1344">Monthly gross income</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="420 1344 795 1390">1</td> <td data-bbox="795 1344 1201 1390">\$1,618</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Household size	Monthly gross income	1	\$1,618	
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	<p>Applications and drop boxes are available in all DHS lobbies or applicants can call 1-866-HEAT-HELP (1-866-432-8435).</p> <p>Project Homeless Connect Resource Fair is Nov. 17, 2015 Project Homeless Connect is a free resource fair for individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness or who are at-risk of becoming homeless. Community partners provide free services ranging from medical care, legal help, benefit assistance, clothing, haircuts, hygiene bags, resume workshops, housing assistance, and veteran services. DHS is looking for volunteers for Project Homeless Connect on Nov. 17.</p> <p>Survey of SNAP and Medicaid recipients DHS is conducting a survey of SNAP and Medicaid clients living in the following zip codes: 80219, 80216, 80239, 80223, and 80204. Clients will receive a \$10 King Soopers gift card (one per household) for filling out the survey.</p> <p>Colorado Birth Certificate and ID Waivers from GIVE Denver Due to costs, obtaining a Colorado ID or Colorado Birth Certificate can present a barrier to low-income individuals and families trying to obtain these documents. The GIVE Denver Center assists individuals and families obtaining these documents with fee waivers from the GIVE Denver Center. Clients do not need to be a Denver resident. If you have a client in need of a Colorado ID or a Colorado Birth Certificate/s (must have been born in the</p>	<p>Volunteer for Project Homeless Connect here. Contact Angie Nelson (Angela.Nelson@denvergov.org) with questions.</p> <p>Please contact Lisana Munoz (Lisana.Munoz@denvergov.org) if you are interested in providing surveys to your clients.</p>																

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	<p>State of Colorado), send them to the GIVE Center to meet with a resource navigator who can assist with these and other resources.</p> <p><u>GIVE Denver Hours:</u> Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (closed daily from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., closed all day Wednesdays and Fridays)</p>	
Next Meeting	Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2015, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.	