



Colorado Covering Kids and Families

May 2010

CKF Coalition Update

The next **CKF Agency Partners Work Group** meeting is **Friday, May 21 from 9:00-10:30am** at CCHN, located at 600 Grant St, Suite 800 in Denver. Please note that the **May meeting has been changed from May 28 to May 21** due to the state furlough day. A reminder and agenda will be emailed to the Work Group prior to the meeting. For more information, please contact Christy Trimmer, CKF Community Liaison and Policy Analyst, at christy@cchn.org.

The next **CKF Health Policy Work Group** meeting is **Thursday, June 17 from 9:00-10:00am** at CCHN, located at 600 Grant St, Suite 800 in Denver. For more information, please contact Brittney Petersen, CKF Project Manager, at brittney@cchn.org.

Check our website (www.cchn.org/ckf) for the [2010 CKF meeting calendar](#).

Outreach and Enrollment Update

Changes to Program Policy of Medicaid Parent Expansion

During the implementation of the Medicaid Parents Expansion to 100% FPL, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) confirmed that it is NOT a requirement to have all household members request Medical Assistance to receive coverage under the Medicaid Parent Expansion Program. To read more details and see how this rule change could impact families on the Medicaid Parents Program, please read the [communication](#) that HCPF sent to community organizations and providers on May 7. Please join the CKF Agency Partners Work Group on May 21 from 9-10:30am (email Christy@cchn.org for more details) for a discussion on the impact of the rule change with Corinne Lamberson, Family Medicaid Policy Specialist from HCPF.

If you have any questions or need to request a Notice of Action letter, please contact Sandra Sanchez at 303-866-2823 or Sandra.sanchez@state.co.us.

New Income Chart Reflects Expansions for Medicaid and CHP+

HCPF has released the new color-coded [Family Medicaid and CHP+ income chart](#) to reflect the expansion of eligibility for pregnant women and children on CHP+ to 250% of the federal poverty level (FPL) and the expansion of Medicaid to 100% FPL for parents with dependent children on Medicaid. Please note that the CHP+ enrollment fee for children between 151-250% FPL is \$25 for one child and \$35 for two or more children. Children on CHP+ who fall between 201-250% of the FPL will pay a \$10 co-pay for services.

HCPF 2010 CBMS User Conferences

HCPF is offering five Medicaid Eligibility Regional Trainings across the state for eligibility workers and others that work with Medical Assistance Programs and use CBMS. Agendas and descriptions of the training sessions are available on [HCPF's web site](#). The trainings have three tracks: Track 1 – Family Medical Programs and CHP+, Track II – Adult Medical and Long Term Care, and Track III – Processing and audit issues. The remaining trainings are:
May 25-26 – Alamosa



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June 2-3 – Colorado Springs

To register for the conferences and for specific conference locations, please go to <http://hcpftraining.gosignmeup.com>. For questions, contact HCPF at Medicaid.Eligibility@hcpf.state.co.us.

New CHP+ HMO

Effective June 1, 2010, the San Luis Valley HMO will be available as a new CHP+ HMO in [these 16 counties](#). There will be a letter going out to all families currently enrolled in CHP+ in these counties to let them know of the change. The letters are scheduled to go out at the end of the week of May 10. The CHP+ website will soon be updated to reflect this additional HMO option.

Health Priorities for Denver Public Schools

Denver Public Schools (DPS) is developing a five-year plan outlining priorities for student, school and staff health and is requesting your feedback. Please review [the draft DPS Health Agenda 2015](#) and complete the [online survey](#) by May 31, 2010. For more information, please contact Bridget Beatty at 720-423-8231 or healthyschools@dpsk12.org.

Health Policy Update

Colorado Legislative Update

Stay tuned to the June CKF Coalition Update for a brief summary of bills from the 2010 legislative session that will impact Medicaid, CHP+ and access to care.

Health Care Reform

Check out two new web pages to learn more about Colorado and Health Care Reform – [HCPF](#): includes fact sheets and information about specific provisions and impact on Colorado. [Governor's Office](#): a dedicated portal for information and communication on the national Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and its implementation in Colorado.

Resources

The Colorado Children's Campaign has released their annual report [2010 KIDS COUNT in Colorado!](#) which provides the best available state- and county-level data to measure and track the education, health and general well-being of our state's children. The report revealed that, since 2000, the number of children living in poverty continues to grow faster in Colorado than anywhere else in the nation. The data also shows the growth of poverty and its impacts are disproportionately affecting minority children and children living in certain regions, counties and neighborhoods.

Events

Free Screening for Shriners Hospitals for Children

A free screening will be held in Greeley to identify children up to the age of 18 who might benefit from the care available at Shriners Hospitals for Children. This screening is for children with orthopedic conditions, burns, burn-related injuries, cleft lip and palate, spinal cord injuries, and



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problems of the muscles, bones or joints. Children up to age 18 are that are eligible for care receive all services without financial obligation, regardless of financial need, insurance status, or citizenship status. The screening will be held on Saturday, May 22, 2010 from 9am-1pm at Our Lady of Peace Church, 1311 3rd Street in Greeley. Informational brochures are available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

Denver Children's Advocacy Center Open House

The Denver Children's Advocacy Center is hosting an Open House on June 15, 2010 at 2pm. Tour the house, walk in the Therapy Garden and learn more about the Denver Children's Advocacy Center's expanded Children's Campus. For more information, click [here](#).

Jobs

Denver Public Schools is hiring three **School Medicaid Outreach and Enrollment Specialists** in temporary, grant-funded positions. Please see the job announcements at [DPS job posting for 2 year temp O&E Specialist](#) and [DPS job posting for 1 year temp O&E Specialist](#).

The **Colorado Health Institute** is hiring a **Senior Policy Analyst/Program Manager**. For more information and the job description, please click [here](#).

The **Colorado Community Health Network** is accepting applications for a **Health Center Operations & Workforce Coordinator** through **Friday, May 14, 2010**. The job description is posted on [CCHN's web site](#).