Funding to Cover More Uninsured

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The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing announced today that it has awarded funding to seven health care providers for a total $1,312,063. The Comprehensive Primary and Preventative Care (CPPC) program provides funding to health care providers in order to expand primary and preventive services to Colorado's low-income residents.

"The CPPC Program funding will allow us to serve approximately 1,000 more homeless, uninsured clients this year through our Stout Street Clinic," states John Parvensky, president of the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless. "Providing health care services to people who can not afford it keeps them healthy and out of emergency rooms."

Since the first CPPC grant awards were made in April 2001, more than $26.9 million has been disbursed to health care providers. This funding has succeeded in providing medical, dental, mental health and pharmaceutical services to at least 122,746 clients.
The following health care providers will receive CPPC funding for 2008:

Salud Family Health Centers / Brighton
Metro Community Provider Network / Denver Metro Area
Colorado Coalition for the Homeless / Denver Metro Area
Eagle Care Clinic / Edwards
Summit Community Care Clinic / Frisco
Mission Medical Clinic / Colorado Springs
Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc. / Southern Colorado

The Department of Health Care Policy & Financing The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing administers the Medicaid and Child Health Plan *Plus* programs as well as a variety of other programs for Colorado's low-income, elderly and disabled populations. The mission of the Department is to improve access to cost-effective, quality health care services for Coloradans. For more information about the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, visit www.chcpf.state.co.us.

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