

\$421,000 FEDERAL FUNDING AWARDED TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES

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DENVER – January 27, 2011 – The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing announced today that \$421,000 – made available through a federal grant – was awarded to 10 statewide community organizations to educate families about public health insurance, to inform and aid children and families in their community with health coverage options, and to assist current clients with re-enrollment.

The Department received a five-year, \$42 million grant from Health Resources and Services Administration, or HRSA in September 2009 funding.

Several initiatives proposed by Colorado will lead to greater access to health care, increase positive health outcomes and reduce cost-shifting. The Maximizing Outreach, Retention and Enrollment, or MORE project, provided funding for the community grants.

The awardees:

MORE Grant Program, Round 2 Awardees	Amount
Mountain Resource Center, Inc.	\$20,509.40
Plains Medical Center, Inc	\$28,672.49
Parenting Place	\$13,868.29
Prairie Family Center	\$21,848.49
Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health- CO Chapter	\$77,304.00
Asian Pacific Development Center of Colorado	\$55,369.08
Northwest Colorado Visiting Nurse Association	\$54,694.00
Fresh Start, Inc.	\$72,718.36
YMCA of the Pikes Peak Region	\$28,500.00
Telluride Foundation	\$47,515.89
Total of Awards	\$421,000.00

[Medicaid](#) is public health insurance for low-income families, children, pregnant women, the elderly and people with disabilities. Eligibility is based on income and family size. The program is funded jointly by a federal-state partnership and is administered by the Department.

Child Health Plan *Plus*, or [CHP+](#), is low-cost health and dental insurance for Colorado children and pregnant women. It's for families that make too much money to be eligible for Medicaid but not enough to afford private insurance.

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 Colorado.gov/hcpf.

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