

CO-CHAMP

Colorado Comprehensive Health Access Modernization Program HRSA State Health Access Program (SHAP) Grant

Monthly Update

February 1, 2011

Overview

A five year competitive grant awarded from Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) to the Department in September 2009. Colorado has requested and been approved for \$42.9 million over the five-year period, but states must reapply for funding every year. Subsequent years of funding are contingent upon meeting performance measures and the availability of federal funding.

Program Status:

- HRSA webpage: www.Colorado.gov/hcpf -->Partners & Researchers --> CO-CHAMP
 - Includes program updates, project descriptions and Fact Sheets, announcements and more!
- Submitted Year 1 Carryover Request in December 2010.
- HCPF Staff Expansion (grant funded)
 - 21 employees hired
 - 4 positions in progress
 - 5 positions on-hold

Colorado Health Care Affordability Act (HB 09-1293)

Several CO-CHAMP projects are linked to the implementation of Colorado's Health Care Affordability Act, which expands coverage to more than 100,000 uninsured Coloradans over the next five years. HRSA SHAP grant funding will support the following three HB 09-1293 related activities and include: (1) Maximizing Outreach, Retention & Enrollment, (2) Eligibility Modernization and (3) Benefit and program design for *Adults without Dependent Children & Disabled Buy-In*.

1. Maximizing Outreach, Retention and Enrollment (MORE)

Outreach and marketing campaigns to inform the expansion populations of the availability of public health insurance programs and assist newly eligible expansion populations with the application process and how to access health care services in appropriate settings.

- MORE Grant Applications: Round 2 were released in October 2010. Funding amount of \$421,000 with Purchase Order executed in 2011 and the MORE Grantee Kick-off meeting on January 20-21, 2011.
- Posted the Outreach Publications & Communications Specialist position December 23, 2010. Anticipate hiring by February 28, 2011.

2. Eligibility Modernization: Streamlining the Application Process

The Eligibility Modernization project will create interfaces with other state and federal databases to electronically verify required client documentation. An online application for the expansion populations will be implemented to eliminate the need for applicants to submit a paper application.

- **Interfaces -**
 - Year 2 Scheduled Releases
 - IEVS (Income Verification with Department of Labor and Employment)
 - On schedule for summer 2011 release.
 - SSA (Citizenship Verification with the Social Security Administration)
 - On schedule for summer 2011 release.
 - DMV (Identity Verification with Department of Revenue)
 - Interagency Agreement with DOR executed.
 - Contract with OIT scheduled to be executed in early January.
 - On schedule for summer 2011 release.
 - Automation of Vital Statistics Retrieval (Citizenship Verification with Department of Public Health and Environment) – **New Interface release date of HRSA Year 3**
 - 6 month pilot with CDPHE scheduled to begin December 2010.
 - **Express Lane Eligibility--**
 - Year 2 Scheduled Releases
 - Administrative Renewals (formerly Passive Re-enrollment)
 - On schedule for summer 2011 release.

Year 3 Scheduled Releases

- Free and Reduced Lunch
 - o Anticipate launching programs with the school districts school year 2011-2012.
- Income Tax Records

3. Benefit and Program Design: Adults without Dependent Children (AwDC) & Buy In for Individuals with Disabilities (Buy-In) Programs

The Department will develop potential program designs, including models for premium structures, and cost-sharing provisions for the adults without dependents and the buy-in for individuals with disabilities expansion populations. The Department will hire contractors to conduct an actuarial study and fiscal analysis in the development of possible program models.

- AwDC Benefit Design and Actuary Contract was signed on December 2, 2010.
- Disabled Buy-In expansion population rollout scheduled for summer 2011 and the AwDC scheduled for early 2012. .

CHP+ at Work Premium Assistance

A statewide expansion of the Department's pilot premium assistance program, CHP+ at Work. The current program allows for a direct subsidy (not to exceed \$100 per eligible child per month) to families who enroll their CHP+ child in the parents' employer-sponsored health insurance plan.

- As of December 2010, the current pilot with Denver Health has a total of 45 families and 163 enrollees.

Three-Share Community Projects

A basic health coverage plan that brings together employers, workers without coverage and outside funding to create a coverage plan for those workers who have no other access to health insurance.

1. Health Access Pueblo (HAP)

A community-based non-profit organization created to provide high quality, affordable, basic health coverage for the uninsured who work for employers based in Pueblo County. Grant funding will be used to increase participation in HAP through a robust marketing and advertising plan.

- Currently has 32 employer groups representing 101 enrollees.

2. San Luis Valley Three Share (CarePoint)

CarePoint will provide a health coverage program aimed at the working uninsured in employer groups where the median hourly wage is \$15 per hour or less and the employer group currently provides no health insurance. Grant funding will be used to initially fund the community share in this pilot program.

- Currently has 13 employer groups representing 59 enrollees.

Innovative Benefit Design Pilot (IBD)

HRSA SHAP funding will allow the Dr. A.J. Kauvar Foundation to work with providers, insurers, and consumers to develop an evidence-based tool that can be used to design health benefit packages in private and public insurance products. These products will be offered to a targeted population of uninsured Coloradans through a regional pilot program and could eventually be offered statewide.

- Anticipate tool release summer 2011.

Adult Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Pilot

Colorado Medicaid is one of seven participating payers who have partnered to support an Advanced Primary Care model and payment reform methodologies. The PCMH pays via a blended payment model to include standard fee for service, a monthly care management fee and a bonus for meeting or exceeding quality outcomes that shifts the focus of care delivery away from episodic care toward more comprehensive, holistic care and incorporates the characteristics associated with both lower costs and better outcomes. HRSA SHAP funding allows the Adult PCMH Pilot to focus on the Medicaid expansion for parents or guardians from 60 up to 100% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

- This 12 month pilot project was added to CO-CHAMP in July 2010.

CO-CHAMP Evaluation

A comprehensive evaluation of the CO-CHAMP project measured against HRSA Healthy People 2020 and identified Department goals, along alignment with the Affordable Care Act. The evaluation will identify project successes, areas for improvement and opportunities for omitting duplication of effort in regards to health care reform.

- Currently writing the RFP, with an anticipated launch date on Colorado BIDS of February 14, 2011.