

CO-CHAMP

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

Monthly Update

April 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!

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.

- State-wide regional conferences, containing outreach and eligibility topics, planned for May – June 2011.
www.colorado.gov/hcpf →What's New → 2011Health Care Policy and Financing Regional Conferences
- Posted the Outreach Publications & Communications Specialist position December 23, 2010. Anticipate hiring by April 18, 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 June 2011 release.
 - SSA (Citizenship Verification with the Social Security Administration)
 - On schedule for June 2011 release.
 - DMV (Identity Verification with Department of Revenue)
 - On schedule for August 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 began December 2010.
 - Interface development is in progress. No scheduled release date established.
 - **Express Lane Eligibility--**
 - Year 2 Scheduled Releases
 - Administrative Renewals (formerly Passive Re-enrollment) including Ex-Parte renewals
 - Scheduled for December 2011 release.



Year 3 Scheduled Releases

- Free and Reduced Lunch
 - Anticipate launching manual programs with the school districts school year 2011-2012.
 - Electronic pilot to incorporate 3-4 large school districts
 - Electronic interface scheduled to be complete by October 2011
- Income Tax Records
 - Anticipate running legislation to place the 'Opt Out' box on the bottom of the State income tax form.

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.

- Established AwDC Advisory Committee
- Collecting data for cost modeling for the AwDC benefit design. Anticipate receiving benefit model in April and will flush out some benefit package options in May-June 2011.

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 44 employer groups representing 131 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 23 employer groups representing 85 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.
- Chose a pilot site and anticipate beginning the pilot during fall 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).

- In process of developing grant applications.



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 May 2, 2011.

