

# CO-CHAMP

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

Monthly Update

June 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:

- As of April 13, 2011, the HRSA State Health Access Program (SHAP) has been cut from the 2011 federal budget. This eliminated the federal appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services and HRSA for Colorado's SHAP grant, CO-CHAMP, for the Year 3 funding (beginning September 1, 2011). The Department will be applying for a one year 'No Cost Extension' from HRSA, requesting that Colorado continue to use unspent funds from the first two years of the grant with an official end date of August 31, 2012.
- Received Year 1 Carryover Request in April 2011.
- HRSA SHAP Grant webpage: [www.Colorado.gov/hcpf](http://www.Colorado.gov/hcpf) -->Partners & Researchers --> CO-CHAMP

### **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.*

- Second annual Regional Conferences held in May and June of 2011. ( [www.colorado.gov/hcpf](http://www.colorado.gov/hcpf) -->What's New--> 2011 Health Care Policy and Financing Regional Conferences ) Locations are as follows:
  - Pueblo: May 2-5
  - Greeley: May 9-12
  - Grand Junction: May 23-26
  - Denver: June 6-9
  - Durango: June 20-23
  - Lamar: June 27-30
- MORE Grant Round 2 Awarded in January 2011 with a total funding amount of \$459,349.
- MORE Grant Round 3 Applications to be posted in the Colorado BIDS website in June 2011. Anticipate awarding grantees up to \$50,000 each with minimum of \$500,000 being awarded.
- Welcome to Maurice (Mo) Gardner, the new Outreach Publications & Communications Specialist. Mo will be assisting the MORE grantees with their marketing materials as well as developing the marketing and outreach campaign for Adults without Dependent Children and the Buy-In for Individuals with Disabilities programs.

#### **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)
      - Postponed to fall 2011 release.
    - SSA (Citizenship & Identity Verification with the Social Security Administration)
      - Postponed to fall 2011 release.
    - DMV (Identity Verification with Department of Revenue)
      - Scheduled for fall 2011 release.



- Automation of Vital Statistics Retrieval (Citizenship Verification with Department of Public Health and Environment)
  - Continuing the pilot with CDPHE until the Interface is in production.
- **Express Lane Eligibility--**
  - Year 2 Scheduled Releases
    - Administrative Renewals (formerly Passive Re-enrollment) & Ex-Parte Renewals
      - Scheduled for winter 2011 release.
  - Year 3 Scheduled Releases
    - Free and Reduced Lunch
      - Anticipate launching manual programs with the school districts school year 2011-2012. Electronic interface scheduled for spring 2012 release. Once the interface is in production, additional schools that want to participate will be phased in.
    - Income Tax Records
      - On hold until legislative changes occur.

### 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 is in progress and a ‘straw man’ model should be received by June 30, 2011. The Department will generate some program design options based on that ‘straw man’ model.
- Some cost options are also being considered via studying the cost of Medicaid’s current benefits with anticipation of utilization, enrollment, etc.
- Additional AwDC stakeholder meetings will be held during the fall 2011.
- CBMS changes for the AwDC and Buy-In programs are in progress.
- Anticipate launching the AwDC program in 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.*

- Project currently on hold.

### **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.*

- As of May 1, 2011, HAP has 52 employer groups representing 157 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.*

- As of May 1, 2011, CarePoint has 26 employer groups representing 90 enrollees.



### **Innovative Benefit Design Pilot (IBD)**

*HRSA SHAP funding will allow the Dr. A.J. Kawwar 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.
- Scheduled to begin a two-year pilot at the San Luis Valley Medical Center beginning January 2012.

### **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.
- In process of developing a grant application for providers that are currently participating in the Multi-Payer Pilot and servicing Medicaid clients.

