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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Creating the Office of the State Innovation Model and State Innovation Model Advisory Board

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado and, in particular, pursuant to Article IV, Section 2 of the Colorado Constitution, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado hereby issue this Executive Order creating the Office of the State Innovation Model and the State Innovation Model Advisory Board.

I. Background, Need, and Purpose

On December 16, 2014, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") awarded Colorado \$65 million dollars to create a State Innovation Model ("SIM"). Colorado's SIM proposal included a vision for a coordinated, accountable system that gives Coloradans increased access to integrated primary and behavioral health care. Further, the SIM initiative plans to develop a State Health Care Innovation Plan with a focus on improved integration of physical and behavioral health services.

The SIM initiative brings together Coloradans who are enrolled in private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and the Children's Health Insurance Program ("CHIP"). With the support of this grant, a broad range of public health programs plan to work together to extend health care, including disease prevention, to a widespread population. The SIM initiative envisions an evolution in health care payment systems to ensure that our new model of care is sustainable for the future. The project also seeks to collect data effectively and securely to support innovation.

The SIM initiative's major goals are:

1. To create a coordinated, accountable system of care that gives Coloradans access to integrated primary care and behavioral health;
2. To leverage the power of our public health system to achieve broader population health goals and support delivery of care;

3. To use outcomes-based payments to enable transformation; and
4. To engage individuals in their care.

II. Directives and Declarations

A. Creation of the SIM Office

This Executive Order hereby creates the Office of State Innovation Model (the "SIM Office") within the Governor's office. The SIM Office shall oversee Colorado's SIM initiative. The Office will coordinate efforts with the Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing, Human Services, Public Health and Environment, Regulatory Affairs, and Personnel and Administration, as well as representatives from the public, private, and nonprofit health and health care sectors.

The SIM Office shall consult with all relevant stakeholders, manage contracts, provide oversight of project-related deliverables, and oversee all grant-related activities. Furthermore, the SIM Office shall coordinate communications between state Departments, external stakeholders, and CMS.

The SIM Office shall be led by a Director and be comprised of staff necessary to carry out its mission. These employees shall report to the Chief Administrative Officer in the Office of the Governor. The Director shall appoint and be responsible for staff supported with funds provided to the initiative.

B. Creation of the SIM Advisory Board

There is hereby created under the Office of the Governor, the State Innovation Model Advisory Board, hereinafter referred to as the "Board," to provide advice, oversight, and guidance over the operation of the SIM Office and the management of grant funds. Further, the Advisory Board shall also provide recommendations about how to better integrate behavioral and physical health in Colorado. The Board shall establish policies and procedures it deems appropriate for conducting its meetings. These procedures shall not be subject to the State Administrative Procedure Act, C.R.S. § 24-4-101, *et seq.*, but shall be subject to the Colorado Open Records Act, § 24-72-201, *et seq.*, and the Colorado Open Meetings Law, § 24-6-401, *et seq.*

Members shall serve terms of four years. The Board shall consist of nine members, appointed by the Governor, as follows:

- i. The Director of the State Innovation Model, who will serve as the chairperson;
- ii. A representative with experience or knowledge of behavioral health;
- iii. A representative with experience or knowledge of primary health care;
- iv. A representative with experience or knowledge of health care delivery;
- v. A representative with experience or knowledge of health information technology;
- vi. The Executive Director of the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, or his or her designee;
- vii. The Executive Director of the Department of Human Services, or his or her designee;
- viii. The Executive Director of the Department of Public Health and Environment, or his or her designee; and
- ix. The Commissioner of Insurance, or his or her designee.

C. Stakeholders

Additionally, the Director shall create workgroups of stakeholders to advise and develop recommendations for the Board on issues related to the implementation of the State Innovation Model. These workgroups shall include representatives from Colorado's health care community as well as representatives from state agencies and need not be members of the Board.

IV. Duration

This Executive Order shall continue in existence until January 31, 2019, unless it is either terminated or extended beyond that date by further Executive Order.



GIVEN under my hand and the
Executive Seal of the State of
Colorado this eighteenth day of
March, 2015.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "John W. Hickenlooper". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the printed name and title.

John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

