



Dear Provider,

Starting July 1, 2018, Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program) physical and behavioral health care will be managed by new Regional Accountable Entities (RAEs) under the Accountable Care Collaborative program.

Here are the [top 10 key concepts](#) all Health First Colorado providers need to know:

1. All full-benefit Health First Colorado members (excluding members enrolled in Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly [PACE]) will be enrolled in the Accountable Care Collaborative (ACC) and assigned to one of seven Regional Accountable Entities (RAEs), also known as regional organizations. Health First Colorado members will no longer be able to opt-out of the ACC in to regular or basic Medicaid. Refer to the [ACC Phase II Key Concepts Fact Sheet](#) for more information.
2. All full-benefit Health First Colorado members will be assigned a primary care medical provider (PCMP) that will serve as a member's medical home. Health First Colorado members will continue to have their choice of provider, including specialist, and can change their PCMP at any time. Providers interested in becoming a PCMP should refer to the [Contracting Guidance for Primary Care Medical Providers Fact Sheet](#).
3. Physical health services will continue to be reimbursed fee-for-service. Member assignment to a PCMP does not affect fee-for-service payments.
4. Behavioral health services will continue to be paid through the capitated behavioral health benefit. Services covered under the capitated behavioral health benefit will be paid by RAEs. Refer to the [Contracting Guidance for Behavioral Health Providers Fact Sheet](#) for more information.
5. Regional Accountable Entities will manage members' physical and behavioral health by performing duties previously held by the Behavioral Health Organizations (BHOs) and Regional Care Collaborative Organizations (RCCOs).
6. The Department will continue to offer limited managed care capitation initiatives with passive enrollment: Denver Health Medicaid Choice for members residing in Denver county; Rocky Mountain Health Plan Prime (RMHP Prime) for members residing in Garfield, Gunnison, Mesa, Montrose, Pitkin and Rio Blanco counties.
7. The Department will no longer directly pay PCMPs administrative Per Member Per Month or key performance indicator incentive payments; instead, the RAEs will distribute these payments to PCMPs. Refer to the [Performance Measurement Fact Sheet](#) for more information.
8. Members will be assigned to a PCMP using the new attribution methodology. Refer to the [Attribution of Members to Primary Care Medical Providers Fact Sheet](#) and the [ACC Phase II Attribution Frequently Asked Questions](#) for more information.
9. Geographic location of member's assigned PCMP site will determine member's assignment to a RAE.
10. RAEs will be responsible for establishing and strengthening relationships between providers in the region. This includes implementing programs to facilitate improved care processes for members and to address barriers such as ineffective referral processes and high no-show rates of members.

### **More Information**

For additional information about contracting or partnering, please [contact the RAE in your area](#).

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