



## COLORADO

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**To:** All Stakeholders

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**Subject:** COMMUNICATION BRIEF  
Child Health Plan Plus (*CHP+*) Update 01-08-18

**Purpose:** To inform all stakeholders of the status of the *CHP+* program as of January 8, 2018.

**Background:** On December 21, 2017, the [Joint Budget Committee approved](#) Governor John Hickenlooper's [request](#) for one-time, short-term funding to extend funding of *CHP+* at least until February 28, 2018. Additionally, on December 21, 2017, Congress passed a Continuing Resolution that may impact the *CHP+* program in Colorado. The Department is analyzing the impact of these state and federal actions. Once the Department's analysis is complete, the resources and information on [CO.gov/HCPF/FutureCHP](http://CO.gov/HCPF/FutureCHP) will be updated to reflect the most current information.

**As of today, if Congress does not act, the *CHP+* program in Colorado will end no sooner than February 28, 2018. An exact end date for *CHP+* is not known at this time because of the potential for legislative action.**

- ***If Congress does not act to renew federal funding, what will be the end of *CHP+* in Colorado?***

As of today, if Congress does not act, the *CHP+* program will end **no sooner than February 28, 2018**. The Department is currently analyzing how the December 21, 2017, federal Continuing Resolution passed by Congress may impact the *CHP+* program in Colorado.

- ***Can people still apply for *CHP+*?***  
Yes, new applications for *CHP+* will continue to be accepted.



- ***Will there be any changes to CHP+ benefits or eligibility in February?***  
No, there will be no changes to CHP+ benefits or eligibility in February 2018. CHP+ members should continue going to the doctor, and CHP+ kids should continue going to the dentist.
- ***Will CHP+ redetermination packets stop going out?***  
No, redetermination letters will continue to be mailed and processed.
- ***Do CHP+ members still need to pay the enrollment fee?***  
Yes, CHP+ members who owe an enrollment fee, need to continue to pay the fee by the deadline listed in their letter.

**Information:** To stay informed on *CHP+* in Colorado, stakeholder can:

- Visit [CO.gov/HCPF/FutureCHP](http://CO.gov/HCPF/FutureCHP)
- [Sign up for our future of CHP+ newsletter](#)

