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To: All Stakeholders

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Subject: COMMUNICATION BRIEF
New Colorado Choice Transitions (CCT) Project Director Named

Announcement – New CCT Project Director:

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing is pleased to announce that Sarah (Wolfgram) Grazier has been hired as the new Colorado Choice Transitions (CCT) Project Director. CCT is [Colorado's Money Follows the Person Program](#), which is a grant-funded national initiative to support individuals residing in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities who are interested in returning to their own home in the community make a successful transition. In her role, Sarah will be responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the program and more importantly looking to find ways to sustain transition support after grant funding ends in 2019 across programs, age and disabilities.

Sarah (Wolfgram) Grazier has more than 18 years of experience in the nonprofit and public sectors, primarily in strategic business development to raise funds, grow programs and increase public awareness for human service organizations and programs. For the past three years, Sarah oversaw financial assistance programs for the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA). Her programs included Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) public infrastructure grants and small business loan funds, and Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue fund (CORSAR). At DOLA, Sarah also launched the Transforming Safety Initiative, a \$4 million state program launched in the 2017 legislative session under HB17-1326, which reinvests parole dollars into community grants and small business loans in northeast Aurora and southeast Colorado Springs.

Prior to her work in the public sector, Sarah worked in fundraising and communications for the nonprofit sector. Sarah has personally raised well over \$30 million for local, regional and national nonprofit human services organizations. Sarah earned her Master's in Nonprofit Management in 2005 from Regis University in Denver, CO, and a



Bachelor of Arts in philosophy and theology in 1998 from Wartburg College in Waverly, IA. She is a 2006 graduate of the Partners in Leadership Program at the Anti-Defamation League, and is an active member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, earning her Certified Fundraising Executive (CFRE) designation in 2014. Sarah also serves as Affiliate Faculty at Metropolitan State University of Denver for the undergraduate Human Services Program.

In her free time, Sarah enjoys teaching and practicing yoga, running, cooking and gardening. Sarah has been married to her best friend Jim since 2006 and is the proud mother of an extraordinary daughter with special needs.

Contact Information:

Stakeholders can reach Sarah at Sarah.Grazier@hcpf.state.co.us. Her desk phone number is not yet operational and will be distributed when it is.

