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To: All Stakeholders

From: Tim Cortez, Manager – Community Options Section

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Subject: COMMUNICATION BRIEF
Announce statewide Regional Forum Meetings for stakeholders to provide input on the Support Plan that will be informed by the redesigned Colorado Assessment Process for all individuals receiving Long Term Services and Supports

Purpose: To inform individuals receiving Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS), legal guardians, families, case managers, advocates, service providers and other stakeholders of upcoming Regional Forum Meetings where attendees can provide input about a new Support Plan.

Background: Through the passage of Senate Bill 16-192, the Colorado General Assembly directed the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Department) to develop or select a needs assessment tool for all persons receiving LTSS, including persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD).

Since March 2014, the Department has contracted with HCBS Strategies, and in collaboration with stakeholders, have selected and customized new tools for eligibility determination and needs assessment for all individuals in need of or receiving LTSS. Beginning in September 2017, the Department, HCBS Strategies, and the stakeholder group have been working closely to develop the Support Plan that will be informed by the redesigned Assessment process.

Information: The Department has established six Regional Forum Meetings for the Department to present the work completed to date and obtain feedback from all stakeholders regarding the Support Plan. The Regional Forum Meetings will provide an opportunity for needed collaboration across stakeholder communities. Additional information on work to date can be found at [Colorado Assessment](#).



Attachments:

Regional Forum Meeting Schedule and Flyer

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