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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform any interested Stakeholders of an opportunity to apply for membership on the Senate Bill (SB) 18-231 Transition Planning Task Force.

Information:

On May 30, 2018 the Governor signed <u>Senate Bill (SB) 18-231</u> into law. The bill establishes a Task Force "composed of interested parties to determine what can be done to ease the transition from the educational setting and inform the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing of the number of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities who may be in need of services in any year" [SB 18-231, Section 1(1)(e)]. The bill is designed to address the fact that "children with disabilities and their parents experience difficulties in transitioning from receiving services in the educational setting to receiving services through the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing" [SB 18-231, Section 1(1)(c)]. The Departments of Education and Health Care Policy and Financing are collaborating on the implementation of this bill.

Charge of the Task Force:

The Task Force is charged with submitting a report by January 2, 2019, of its findings and recommendations to the Health and Human Services Committee of the Colorado Senate, the Public Health and Human Services Committee of the Colorado House of Representatives, and the Colorado Joint Budget Committee, or any successor committees.

How to Apply for Membership on the Task Force:

The Departments of Education and Health Care Policy and Financing are seeking applications from the public for membership in the Task Force. Applications will be accepted between July 5, 2018 and 5:00 p.m. on August 3, 2018.

To apply, please use this Online Task Force Application.

Task Force member categories for which applications are being sought include:

- A representative of Community Centered Boards, appointed by the Director of the Office of Community Living
- A provider of Medicaid services under part 10, appointed by the Director of the Office of Community Living
- A person with an intellectual and developmental disability, appointed by the Executive Director of the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing
- A parent or guardian of a student with an intellectual and developmental disability, appointed by the Commissioner of Education
- A representative of an approved service agency, appointed by the Director of the Office of Community Living

Attachment:

Senate Bill 18-231 Signed Bill

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