

# Network Adequacy

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## What is Network Adequacy?

Network adequacy refers to a health plan's ability to deliver health care services by providing reasonable access to enough in-network providers for all health care services included under the terms of the contract.

States establish qualitative and quantitative network adequacy standards to ensure members have reasonable access to services and providers.





## **Network Adequacy Requirements**



CMS requires Network Adequacy validation performed by an External Quality Review Organization (EQRO). Regulations 42 CFR 438.352 & 42 CFR 438.358



HCPF maintains compliance with CMS Network Adequacy requirements, through network anlaysis, evaluation and monitoring of reporting and data. Regulations 42 CFR 438.68 and 42 CFR 438.206 which requires states to set Network Adequacy measure and metric standards, which RAEs must report on.



The RAEs are held accountable through contractually required deliverables.

Regulations 42 CFR 438.207

## Geographic analysis (Quantitative)

Time and distance metric results

Provider to member ratios results

## Geographic Analysis Time and Distance

MCE Type	MCE Name	Urbanicity	County	Network Type	Network Category	Compliance Result	
RAE •	(All)	(AII)	(AII) •	Behavioral Health ▼	(Multiple values) ▼	(All)	

#### Based on the selected filters, 384 standards are being assessed. Of these:

364 network categories met the minimum time/distance requirements.

20 network categories did not meet the minimum time/distance requirements.

O network categories did not have any members identified.

#### Difference Between Time/Distance Requirement and Percent of Members with Access:

Met the Minimum Requirement ≤ 5.0 Percentage Points 5.1-10.0 Percentage Points > 10.0 Percentage Points

No Members in Contracted County (NR)

MCE Type	MCE	Urbanicity	County	Network Category	Minimum Time/Distance Requirement	Percent of Members Within Minimum Time/Distance Requirements	Percent of Members Not In Minimum Time/Distance Requirements	Number of Members Not In Minimum Time/Distance Requirements	Number of Members in the Network Category	Number of Providers in the Network Category*
			Clear Creek	General Behavioral Health	90% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	100.096	0.096	0	679	7
			Gilpin	General Behavioral Health	90% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	100.096	0.096	0	549	3
			Jefferson	General Behavioral Health	90% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	>99.996	<0.196	1	31,851	1887
		Urban	Boulder	General Psychiatrists and other Psychiatric Prescribers	90% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	>99.996	<0.196	1	23,060	55
			Broomfield	General Psychiatrists and other	90% w/ 2 in 30	100.0%	0.096	0	2,904	3

RAE         ▼ (AII)         ▼ (AII)         ▼ (AII)         ▼ Behavioral Health         ▼ (Multiple values)         ▼ Not Met         ▼	MCE Type	MCE Name	Urbanicity	County	Network Type	Network Category	Compliance Result
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#### Based on the selected filters, 20 standards are being assessed. Of these:

- $\boldsymbol{0}$  network categories  $\underline{\text{met}}$  the minimum time/distance requirements.
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- ${\color{red}0}$  network categories did not have any members identified.

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			Arapahoe	Treatment Practitioner	miles or 30 mins	99.3%	0.796	341	50,979	37	
			Elbert	General SUD Treatment Practitioner	100% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	88.996	11.196	144	1,293	0	
		Urban	Adams	Pediatric SUD Treatment Practitioner	100% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	99.8%	0.296	98	47,924	19	
			Arapahoe	Pediatric SUD Treatment Practitioner	100% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	99.2%	0.896	351	43,689	37	
			Elbert	Pediatric SUD Treatment Practitioner	100% w/ 2 in 30 miles or 30 mins	87.9%	12.196	135	1,116	0	

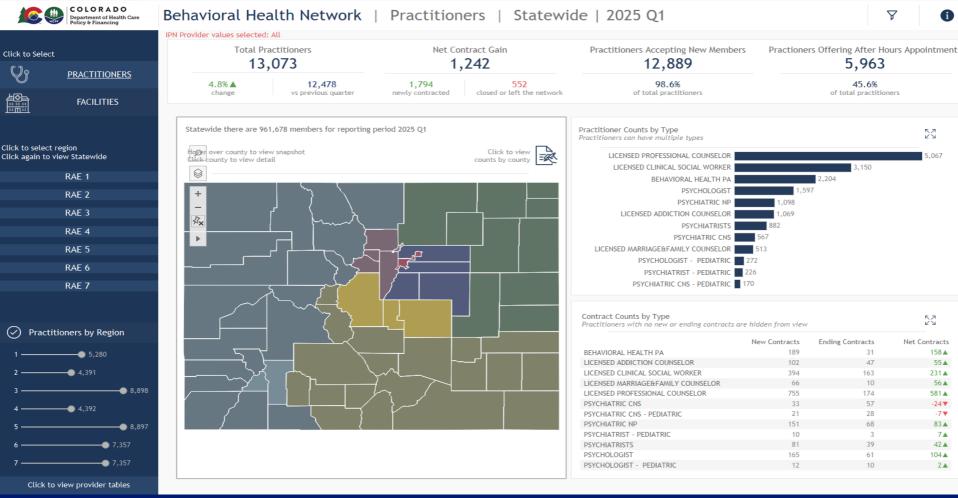




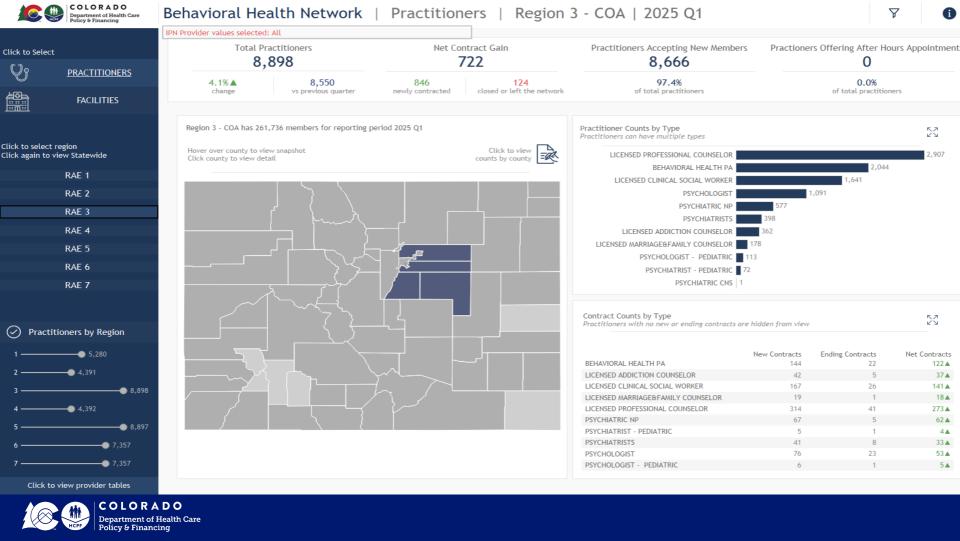
## **Narrative report** (Qualitative)

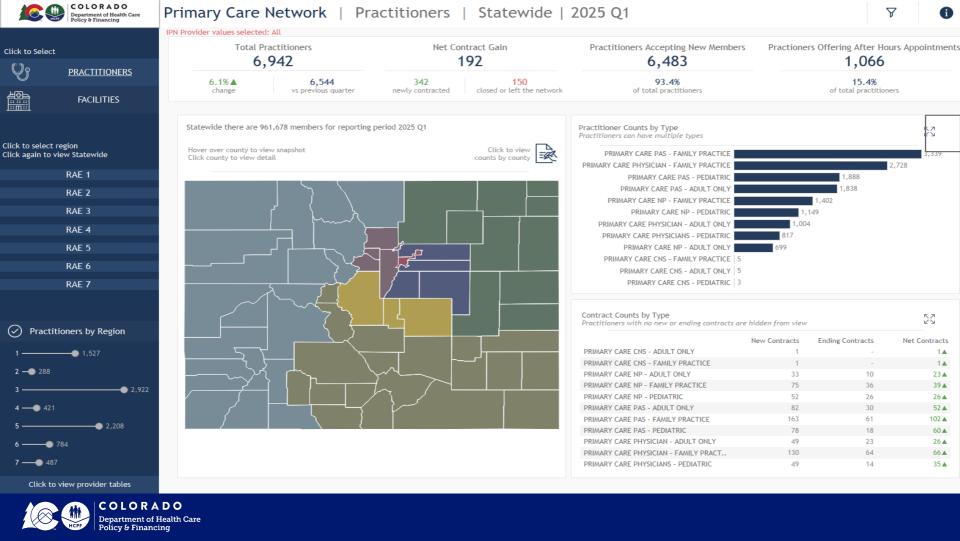
- Provider count summaries
  - Includes newly contracted and ended contract counts that occurred during the quarterly reporting period
- Accepting new members
- Offering after-hours appointments
- Efforts towards establishing and maintaining a sufficient network
- Detailed provider support activities
- Identified network changes
- Appointment timeliness assessments
- Time and distance discussion

# The Department conducts additional analysis.....











Primary Care Network | Practitioners | Region 3 - COA | 2025 Q1

IPN Provider values selected: All

2.7% ▲

change

Practitioner Counts by Type

PRIMARY CARE NP - ADULT ONLY



Click to Select

**PRACTITIONERS** 

**FACILITIES** 

Click to select region Click again to view Statewide

RAE 1

RAE 2 RAE 3

RAE 4

RAE 5

RAE 6

RAE 7

Practitioners by Region

**---** 1,527 2 - 288

2,922

**2.208** 

6 ---- 784

7 --- 487

4 --- 421

Click to view provider tables

**Total Practitioners** Net Contract Gain

2,922

2,846 vs previous quarter 76

144 newly contracted

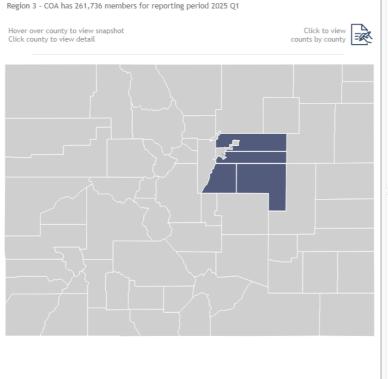
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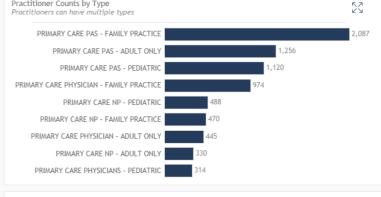
of total practitioners

99.6%

0.0% of total practitioners

Practioners Offering After Hours Appointments







New Contracts

**Ending Contracts** 

Net Contracts 14▲

PRIMARY CARE NP - FAMILY PRACTICE	21	12	9▲
PRIMARY CARE NP - PEDIATRIC	22	16	6▲
PRIMARY CARE PAS - ADULT ONLY	48	20	28▲
PRIMARY CARE PAS - FAMILY PRACTICE	90	41	49▲
PRIMARY CARE PAS - PEDIATRIC	53	15	38▲
PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN - ADULT ONLY	13	11	2▲
PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN - FAMILY PRACT	41	28	13▲
PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS - PEDIATRIC	22	10	12▲

## Additional Reporting

## Triggered Network Changes and Deficiencies notice

Contractor shall notify Department, in writing, of Contractor's knowledge of an unexpected or anticipated material change to the network or a network deficiency that could affect service delivery, availability or capacity within the provider network.

### Grievance Reporting

❖ Review of MCE reported grievances from members, category ACCESS

#### **Provider Grievances**

Identifies trends for MCE contract performance adherence and development of future contract requirements

# Thank you!