

CCBHC Certification and Provider Readiness Subcommittee

October 7, 2025

Agenda

- Introductions & Poll
- Review key updates on Service Area Guidance
- Discuss DCO materials and design considerations
- Discuss communication and engagement plan for demonstration period
- Identify next steps and information needs

Introductions & Poll

In the chat, please provide:

- Name, pronouns if you'd like
- The organization you represent

Please complete poll. The goal of including a poll is:

- To better understand who is here,
- What perspectives are represented (or missing),
- Measure progress of this subcommittee.

Meeting Expectations

Subcommittee Goals:

- Create and review processes and tools that meet CCBHC model requirements and work well for Colorado
- Define state and local strategies
- Incorporate feedback from subject matter experts

Meeting Expectations:

- Ask questions at any time using the chat. Raised hands will be called upon by the speaker
- Slide decks will be posted after the meeting on the CCBHC webpage

CCBHC Planning Grant Roadmap

12-month Process	Planning for CCBHC Implementation (January 2025 – December 2025)											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Steering committee(s)	Develop committee(s)		Maintain committees, subcommittees, and partnerships (e.g., state, clinics, associations) with regular meeting cadences, notes, and deliverables to ensure stakeholder and community engagement in the CCBHC demo									
Populations & service areas	Solicit input from focus populations, identify potential CCBHCs & their service areas					Identify population health needs and secure insight from those communities, work with providers to select initial sites and regions they will serve as CCBHCs						
CCBHC training & education	Identify and provide TA needs for providers (e.g., CCBHC-PPS, billing, quality measures) as possible											
Infrastructure for data quality	Identify data collection infrastructure needs and begin processes for quality measurement					Onboard and maintain technology platforms for clinic and state efforts to ensure accurate measurement of quality measures and population health needs						
Assess clinic & community needs	Launch and complete community needs assessments and clinic readiness assessments					Assure clinics' community needs assessments are complete, accurate, and aligned for criteria and certification needs						
Scope of Services & Certification	Finalize Scope of Services and activities that will be included in certification & PPS rate				Formalize CCBHC criteria & Create certification process			Work with clinics to meet SAMHSA and state certification criteria, certify clinics, and plan for future certifications				
Establish CCBHC-PPS					Select CCBHC PPS		Establish a CCBHC-PPS system and work with clinics to help calculate a clinic-specific rate				Establish payment operations & review cost reports	
MS Approval for CCBHC									Prepare to apply for the demonstration in 2026			

Subcommittee Work Plan

Topic	October	November	December
Certification Subcommittee Recommendations Anticipated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certification Process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Area • Population of Focus • Statewide Governance Board • Communication Plan 	<p>No Subcommittee work anticipated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalization of documentation and guidance to inform the Demonstration application • Joint Budget Committee (JBC) hearings for BHA and HCPF <p>Looking ahead: CCBHC Steering Committee to reconvene in January of 2026</p>
Statewide Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline & communications • Compliance review process, audits, & status checks for non-claims audit items • Plan for governance board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present compliance review process to steering committee 	
Populations of Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence-based practices • Community engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outstanding needs (TBD) 	
Service Areas and Operational Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research options for division of service areas and related considerations • Service area guidance • Draft outreach strategy to serve unique individuals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outstanding needs (TBD) 	

Service Area Guidance Update

Recap: Service Area Guidance Document

- Guidance document shared with the Steering Committee
- BHA State Needs Assessment

Designated Collaborating Organizations (DCOs)

Transition: DCO Discussion

- DCO materials shared several weeks ago
- Aims to clarify how and when to use DCOs
- Goal: co-designing a flexible and practical process

Designing the DCO Process (Discussion)

Designing the DCO Process

- Defining key decision points
- Aligning with SAMHSA and state criteria

Discussion Points:

- What areas of the DCO process do you feel need the most clarity or definition?
- How do we balance consistency across providers with flexibility for local implementation?
- Are there barriers providers face when partnering with DCOs that we should anticipate?



Communication & Engagement

Communication Needs for Demonstration Period

- What type of communication would help you stay informed once we enter the demonstration phase?
 - Newsletter
 - Briefs
 - Emails updates
 - Other

Next Steps

- CCBHC-focused website in progress
- Guidance Document Review by Subcommittee Members
- Aiming for Memorandum #2 release by mid-October
 - More detailed information, steps for first cohort
- Additional Workgroup Meeting Needed? (Base on Conversation)



Questions?

Exit Survey: Please take
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