

# CCBHC Certification and Provider Readiness Subcommittee

November 4, 2025

# Agenda

- Introductions & Poll
- CNA Mandate & Unified Goal
- Alignment Framework & Strategy
- Identifying System Overlap
- Next Steps & Key Dates

# 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 demonstration									
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 and clinic readiness 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	November	December	January
Certification Subcommittee Recommendations Anticipated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Designated Collaborative Organization (DCO) guidance</li> </ul>	No Subcommittee work anticipated	<b>Looking ahead:</b>  CCBHC Steering Committee to reconvene in January of 2026
Statewide Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Timeline &amp; communications</li> <li>Compliance review process, audits, &amp; status checks for non-claims audit items</li> <li>Plan for governance board</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joint Budget Committee (JBC) hearings for BHA and HCPF</li> <li>Finalization of documentation and guidance</li> </ul>	
Populations of Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence-based practices</li> <li>Community engagement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outstanding needs (TBD)</li> </ul>	
Service Areas and Operational Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft outreach strategy to serve unique individuals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outstanding needs (TBD)</li> </ul>	

# Community Needs Assessment (CNA)

## Community Needs Assessment Alignment

- The Community Needs Assessment (CNA) is a non-negotiable federal requirement for CCBHC designation.
- Our focus is on the realignment with existing state data collection efforts.
- Our goal is to produce one unified, high-impact assessment that satisfies all state and federal requirements.



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# Finding Efficient Alignment

## Overlap Between CCBHC & Existing Statewide Efforts

- CCBHC requires robust data on prevalence, access, gaps, and stakeholder feedback.
- BHA mandates similar needs assessments for regional planning and crisis response infrastructure.
- Community-centered emphasis on stakeholder engagement, addressing Social Drivers of Health (SDoH), and identifying priority populations.
- The Overlap: Population needs, gap analysis, and diverse stakeholder engagement are common threads required by all three systems.





# Finding Efficient Alignment

CCBHC (SAMHSA)	BHA (State)	Community-Centered (Network)
Quantitative prevalence data (e.g., claims)	Regional needs for crisis & SUD (data from BHA's partners)	Community-level SDoH factors and barriers to care
Qualitative stakeholder interviews (consumers, partners)	Mapping of existing resources and regional capacity	Feedback from diverse partners (Veteran Affairs (VA), housing, schools)
Identification of service gaps by population and service type	Addressing specific Cultural/linguistic needs across the region	Gaps for priority populations (e.g., rural, justice-involved)

# Community Needs Assessment Framework

## Community Needs Assessment Report Structure:

- I. Executive Summary: High-level findings and conclusions.
- II. Introduction & Purpose: Defines the service area and methodology.
- III. Methodology: Details data sources, collection, and analysis.
- IV. Quantitative Analysis: Demographics, Prevalence, Access/Utilization Data.
- V. Qualitative Analysis: Stakeholder Themes, Perceived Barriers, Unmet Needs.
- VI. Conclusions & Plan: Prioritization of needs, Priority Populations, and Actionable Recommendations.



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# Service Area: Geographic Focus

## Service Delivery Model & Target Population

- Ensure fair coverage: Prevent overlaps and fill existing service gaps statewide.
- Guarantee reasonable travel times to care (1 hour non-rural, 2 hours rural).
- Coordinate local partners: Map community resources (housing, VA facilities, primary care) to build seamless referral pathways.
- Strategic growth: Leverage telehealth and DCOs (collaborating organizations) to expand reach and specialty services.

# Next Steps

## Next Steps

- CCBHC Interest Survey (response requested by 11/16)
- Memo #2 (focused on first cohort requirements) under final review
- The next Steering Committee Meeting is scheduled for November 17
- No CCBHC-focused meetings will be held in December
- The next public group CCBHC meeting will be held in January 2026



# Questions?

Exit Survey: Please take  
2 minutes to complete an  
[exit survey](#)

# Contact Information

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# Newsletter Sign-up

Visit the Behavioral Health Benefits page for resources, information, calendar of upcoming events, and to sign up for the monthly behavioral health newsletter:

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