

<u>Members Needed to Join Community First Choice</u> <u>Council</u>

The Department needs your help to develop and launch the Community First Choice Option (CFC). CFC is a national health care program that will support Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program) members with disabilities to be more independent and live in their community by providing expanded access to home and community-based services.

Please consider applying for the CFC Council, which will be a diverse group of individuals with disabilities, adults 65 and older, or their representatives. The CFC Council will help design and start CFC through regularly scheduled CFC Council meetings, recommendations to the Department, and participation in policy discussions on CFC and its potential effects.

CFC Council meetings will be held via webinar and call-in using Google Meet. The main Council meeting will be held monthly on the first Wednesday of the month and will likely have opportunities to participate in smaller ad hoc workgroups. The monthly time commitment is estimated to be about five hours with the design and launch work of the Council estimated to last one year.

The Department is dedicated to the full inclusion and diversity of our members, which includes race, color, ethnic or national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, religion, creed, political beliefs, and disability. We encourage all interested Health First Colorado members and stakeholders to apply, especially:

- People with disabilities, their parents, people 65 and older, or their representatives
- Rural, frontier, and urban disability community members
- Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC)
- Those familiar with home and community-based services
- Those familiar with consumer-directed services
- Those familiar with the experiences of people with disabilities or older adults

The Department is accepting applications for 10 CFC council positions. Applicants may submit the <u>CFC Council Member Application Form</u> or contact Jordan Larson, CFC Policy Advisor, at 303-866-3580.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. Friday, April 1, 2022.

Stay up to date with CFC! Please sign up for the <u>CFC Updates Email List</u> or you can contact us at <u>hcpf_cfc@state.co.us</u>.