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Colorado Annual Substance Use Disorder Stakeholder Forum

SUD Stakeholder Forum 2023

About the Forum

The third annual substance use disorder stakeholder forum was held virtually on October 10, 2023. During the annual forum, the Department reviewed the Annual Report for Demonstration Year 2, provided an update about the 1115 Waiver “Expanding the Substance Use Disorder Continuum of Care”, and provided an opportunity for participants to ask questions.

Summary

Number of registrants: 77

Number of attendees: 20

Q&A

Question #1: Are these services per month? (referring to graphs in presentation)

Yes, all of the graphs shown in today’s presentation have the services shown per month, as seen on the x-axis.

Question #2: Are the graphs showing that there are three times as many members accessing withdrawal management (WM) services each month as intensive outpatient program (IOP)?

Yes, this is accurate. The state is exploring possible reasons why WM services are utilized at a much higher rate than IOP services and other levels of care. IOP is less utilized than we would like to see and has room for improvement. The SUD Utilization Management report, produced quarterly and posted on the web page in accordance with SB21-137, has additional data on utilization as well.

