# 2024 Legislative Wrap-Up

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# 2024 By the Numbers

- 63 bills tracked this year (705 total bills introduced)
  - 11 agenda and high priority bills



Bipartisan support throughout this year

• 45 bills impact HCPF programs, including 8 legislative requests for information and 9 new or changed legislative reports

## HCPF Legislative Agenda - Highlights

Final details available soon: CO.gov/HCPF/legislator-resource-center

### Agenda Bills:

- <u>HB24-1146</u>: authority to suspend Medicaid providers if crime/fraud scheme
- HB24-1208: Autism Treatment Cash Fund Reinstatement
- SB24-135: technical changes to multiple agencies' legislative reports
- HB24-1229: can pursue waiver to expand Presumptive Eligibility to those with disabilities
- HB24-1465: extends Rural Stimulus funding through end of 2024
- HB24-1399: sunsets Colorado Indigent Care Program as distinct program
- HB24-1400: aligns state law with latest federal guidance on PHE Unwind
- HB24-1401: allows one-time \$5M payment to Denver Health
- Expand CHP+ to Include Services for People with Autism The JBC did not vote to include funding for this bill in the Long Bill.

### **Priority Interim Committee Bills:**

- <u>HB24-1038</u>: High Acuity Crisis for Children and Youth
- <u>HB24-1045</u>: SUD Treatment
- SB24-047: SUD Prevention



# HCPF Budget Agenda - Highlights

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- <u>HB 24-1430</u> The Long Bill
  - o FY 2023-24 budget is \$15.9B Total Fund and \$5.0B General Fund
  - ~1/3 of State budget
- Highlights included:
  - Across-the-board rate increases 2% (FY24-25), 3%, 2% and 2.5% last few yrs
  - Targeted Rate Increases: Approved at or above most all HCPF requests.
     Surgery rate increase slightly lower than requested. Rejected co-surgery rate increase
  - Direct care workers wage increase across the state to \$17 per hour and in Denver \$18.29 per hour, effective July 1, 2024.

# New Reports and LRFIs

• SB24-135: technical changes to multiple agencies' legislative reports

### New Reporting Requirements

- HB24-1384: CCBHC letter to JBC confirming grant application (11/1)
- HB24-1322: Housing and Nutrition Feasibility study and implementation plan (11/10)
- HB24-1045: Incarceration reentry services (7/1/25)
- HB24-1038: Quarterly progress report on system of care (starting 1/1/25)
- HB24-1312: Long Term Care Employee information to DOR (9/30/25)
- <u>HB24-1399</u>: Primary Care Fund Report (2/1/26)
- <u>SB24-034</u>: Data collection on SBHC use (available upon request)
- and 8 new LRFIs

### What's Next??

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

- 45 bills to implement
- 9 new/changed reports + 8 Legislative Requests For Information (LRFI)
- Cross-office & Cross-agency work through designated teams.
- Stakeholder engagement.

#### **2025 PLANNING**

Already underway. More to come in the Fall.

# Term Limits' Musical Chairs

- ★ New HHS Chairs & Vice Chairs
- ★ New HHS Ranking Minority Members
- ★ New JBC Members
- ★ New Leadership

### Thank you!

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Questions??

