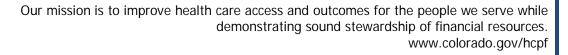# HCBS Settings Final Rule
Quarterly Update for Quarter Ending 9/30/18

Since its last quarterly update, the Department has taken the following steps to promote systemic compliance with the HCBS Settings Final Rule:

- Developed a third volume of answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs) regarding the rule. This volume addresses questions from providers, case management agencies, and other stakeholders regarding the requirement of a lease or other written agreement providing individuals with protections against eviction. Because of the complexity of the intersections of the HCBS Settings Final Rule with federal and state Fair Housing/nondiscrimination standards as well as state landlord-tenant law, the Department has asked the Colorado Office of Attorney General to review the draft guidance. The document will be published when this review is complete.

Since its last quarterly update, the Department has taken the following steps to complete site-specific assessment, remediation, and verification:

- Continued to work with the Governor's Office of Information Technology (OIT) and the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) on developing and testing the new web-based Provider Transition Plan (PTP) system.

- The first release of this system will cover adult residential settings for which PTPs are required (*i.e.*, alternative care facilities (ACFs), supported living program (SLP) and transitional living program (TLP) facilities, group homes, host homes, and certain other Individual Residential Services and Supports (IRSS) settings). The releases for nonresidential and children's residential settings will follow.

- As announced in an August 2018 Informational Memo, the Department provided webinar trainings on the adult residential component of the platform on September 10 and 14, 2018. The Department expects to provide trainings to support the rollout of the children's residential and nonresidential components, and it is considering offering additional trainings for adult residential HCBS providers that were unable to participate in the September 2018 trainings.

- In the course of User Acceptance Testing (UAT) during August and September, the state agencies identified some defect fixes and changes to be made to the PTP system. After these fixes are implemented and tested in the coming weeks, the first phase of the platform should be ready to roll out to providers.

- Continued to work with CDPHE as it continues to complete site visits and provide ongoing technical assistance to providers and case management agencies working on coming into compliance with the rule.