

## **Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Inpatient and Residential Treatment Regional Capacity Stakeholder Meeting Summary**

**March 20, 2020  
Steamboat Springs**

Meeting slides and additional information are available on the  
[Department's Ensuring a Full Continuum of SUD Benefits webpage](#)

### **Participants**

Julie Drake (Providence Recovery Services), Julie Hulslander (Routt County), Ryan Lucas, Stephanie Monahan, Susan Petersen, Lindsey Simbeye (Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention )

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### **Goals for Regional Stakeholder Meetings**

- Share information gathered by Department on treatment programs in the state
- Elicit feedback on the data and mapping
- Collect additional information about regional needs from stakeholders

### **Presentation by Kim McConnell, ACC SUD Administrator**

- Overall goals for the Department's capacity work
- ASAM Treatment continuum
- Current and future Medicaid coverage of SUD services in Colorado
- Review of work to date - Section 1115 SUD demonstration waiver
- Data mapping
  - Demand represented by density of Medicaid members with SUD diagnoses
  - Supply represented by Providers per 10000 Medicaid members with a SUD diagnosis (by ASAM level)
  - Future work on capacity mapping

### **Discussion: Participant Feedback**

#### **RAE 1 (Steamboat Springs, Routt/Moffat County regions) Challenges and Opportunities**

- Access to treatment providers by ASAM level in Steamboat Springs and Routt/Moffat counties: 3.1, 3.5 and 3.7 levels of care
  - Patients from Routt and Moffat counties are being sent to providers in Larimer County, Grand Junction and along the Front Range.
  - There is a frequently a waiting list for those programs.
- Request was made for Medicaid payment for sober living. Funding sources for sober living will be explored.



- Transportation was identified as a barrier to accessing SUD treatment.
- ASAM training for providers was identified as a need.

### **Questions about changes to coverage of SUD services**

Additionally, questions about the changes to Health First Colorado's SUD benefits were recorded and will be included in a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) resource that will be posted on the Department website.