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Announcement of Colorado State University as the Workforce Capacity Center for the Colorado System of Care

In alignment with the *GA* et al v. Bimestefer settlement agreement and legislative direction under HB24-1038 and SB25-292, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF), in collaboration with the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA), has designated Colorado State University (CSU) as the Colorado System of Care (CO-SOC) Workforce Capacity Center (WCC).

The WCC will:

- Develop certification and training programs for CO-SOC, which includes Enhanced High Fidelity Wraparound (EHFW), Enhanced Functional Family Therapy (EFFT), Enhanced Multisystemic Therapy (EMST), Enhanced Standardized Assessment (ESA), and the Children and Adolescent Needs and Strengths tool (CANS).
- Provide training, technical assistance, and fidelity monitoring for the CO-SOC in partnership with national model developers.
- Support behavioral health workforce recruitment, retention, and provider expansion, particularly in rural and frontier communities.
- Track and report provider certifications, fidelity outcomes, and workforce data through regular reports and dashboards.

This initiative ensures Colorado builds the workforce capacity necessary to expand access to high-quality, evidence-based services for children, youth, and families with intensive behavioral health needs.

