



NORTHERN COLORADO
HEALTH SECTOR PARTNERSHIP

WORKFORCE Working Group

Identified Medical Assistants as a priority need.

- Identified key employers using Medical Assistants and quantifying need – however, it's a moving target
- Participating with Colorado Community College System and soliciting employer feedback as the system plans revisions to its Medical Assistant curriculum
- Colorado Community College System will meet with our team to discuss proposed changes on July 12. If interested in attending please contact a co-chair at email listed below.

Identified behavioral healthcare employees in several categories as a priority need.

- Hosting a meeting of behavioral healthcare employers to drill down into needs of this sector in August/September
- Please forward suggestions of people to invite to one of the co-chairs listed below

Sub-committee has set a goal of recruiting more industry representatives – suggestions for people to invite are welcome.

WORKFORCE Meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month from 11am to 12:30pm.

Contact a co-chair for location.

Subcommittee co-Chairs: Lynn Vosler (lynn.vosler@frontrange.edu) & Bill Stout (bill.stout@uchealth.org)

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH Working Group

Held a great team meeting on July 7 featuring resource sharing including information on the 24/7 Behavioral Health and Detox Facility, new programming being offered by Larimer County Early Childhood Council, new programming through the Health District through the Connections Program and a new Zero Suicide Initiative through Summit Stone.

The group also discussed Mental Health First Aid and how to turn an idea into action. The team decided to focus on a “multiplier plan” with efforts to share Mental Health First Aid Light with a general business population (2 hour training), encouraging them to then attend full Mental Health First Aid sessions (8 hour training) already planned and available.

Key actions:

- *Build a database of current MHFA trainers and trainings (Ann Hutchison is the contact)
- *Refine the MHFA Light training (Chris Fine is the contact)
- *Coordinate large group trainings and at business trainings (Whole team)
- *Develop a communication plan (Ryan Keiffer is the contact)
- *Design follow-up efforts: personalized trainings, attendance at regular MHFA experiences, online communication opportunities (Whole team)

No dates set yet for fall committee meeting. Keep an eye out for an email invitation.

Get involved! To learn more about the Behavioral Health working group:

Ann Hutchison, ahutchison@fcchamber.org - 970-482-3746





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Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) Working Group

Successes:

Worked with the Colorado Hospital Association and the Colorado Health Care Association to reinstate the PASRR Stakeholder Committee. A monthly meeting for updates and feedback to HCPF and Office of Behavioral Health.

Hosted PASRR Update on March 23, 2016 to NoCo hospital, skilled nursing, assisted living, home health, Options for Long Term Care, OBRAs, Ombudsman, etc. Discussed current status of PASRR. Small groups for what is working with PASRR, what is not. Discussion of moving PASRR from hospital to (SNF) on admission.

Goals for remainder of 2016:

Met with Senator Kefalas about PASRR and economic impact on health care providers and health impact to older adults.

Work with HCPF/Office of Behavioral health on transition of PASRR from paper process to HP Electronic process.

Continue efforts with CHA, CHCA, Ombudsman, OBRAs, and legislative representatives to move PASRR from hospitals to SNFs.

Meeting schedule:

Meet the 4th Wednesday of each month from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Pathways Hospice – 305 Carpenter Road.
Call in number – 1-866-866-2244 Participant code: 5630908#

The next meeting is Wednesday, September 28th at 7:30 a.m.

Contact for more information: Yvonne Myers, committee chair – yvonne.myers@columbinehealth.com

OUTREACH & AWARENES Working Group

Working group name changed from Education to Outreach and Awareness to better capture the function of the action area.

Website now live at nocohealthsector.org and nocohealthsector.com.

Please send any feedback or events that are health sector related to
Jonas (jonas.mckinley@uhealth.org) and Amanda (amanda@theplacesettingcompany.com)

Presented to the Larimer County Workforce Development Board.

Presentation resulted in discussions with Thompson School District regarding potential partnership with the Health Sector.

Grant Funding: Requested \$6,000 toward website maintenance, marketing collateral and meeting support.

To get **INVOLVED** contact: jonas.mckinley@uhealth.org

