About The Behavioral Health Partnership

The Behavioral Health Partnership is a long-standing group of stakeholder organizations.

**Mission:** To raise awareness of mental health and substance use disorder issues and ensure quality systems of care and treatment, policy, and funding for mental health through unified action.

**Key Goals:**
- Present common, unified voice to policy makers whenever possible
- Access to affordable full continuum of care: prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery
- Ensure quality services are recovery and resiliency focused
- Increase the influence of the Partnership in public policy
- Reduce stigma and increase education and understanding of mental health and substance use disorders

Mental Health Colorado is the state’s leading advocate for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders. We engage the public, policymakers, and the press to promote mental health screening and early intervention; to expand access to affordable, high-quality services; and to eradicate stigma and discrimination. Founded in 1953, Mental Health Colorado is a non-profit, nonpartisan organization and an affiliate of Mental Health America.

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The Colorado Behavioral Healthcare Council (CBHC) is the statewide membership organization for Colorado’s statewide network of Community Mental Health Centers, Specialty Clinics, Behavioral Health Organizations, and Managed Service Organizations. CBHC member organizations work together to improve the health of Coloradans through the delivery of high quality, community-based, integrated behavioral and physical healthcare services.

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The Colorado Providers Association is a statewide trade association of alcohol and drug service providers. Our mission is to cultivate leadership, mobilize resources, and promote the effective use, integration, and coordination of alcohol and drug prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery services and research.

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The Federation of Families for Children’s Mental Health, Colorado Chapter is unique. We are a family-driven and family-run nonprofit organization that provides the family voice in Colorado’s behavioral health care system through advocacy, leadership, technical assistance, and collaboration.

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The Colorado Psychiatric Society (CPS) is a district branch of the American Psychiatric Association and has a membership of approximately 500 psychiatrists who practice throughout the state of Colorado. CPS activities include: advocacy for the welfare of individuals with mental illness in the public and private sectors; public information projects focused on the media and the general public; responding to mental health needs of Colorado communities; hosting educational meetings; informing members of current issues; and legislative education and lobbying on medical and mental health issues.

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The Colorado Psychological Association (CPA) advances the profession of psychology through advocacy and education for the promotion of mental health and well-being.

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The mission of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Colorado is to build communities of recovery and hope by educating, supporting, and advocating for individuals affected by mental illness and their families. NAMI provides classes and support groups at no cost to participants through our local affiliates. NAMI also works on advocacy issues on legislation and policy at national, state and local levels.

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The National Association of Social Workers, Colorado Chapter is a professional organization that advocates for the promotion, development, and protection of its members, the social work profession, and social work values.

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The mission of the Colorado Mental Wellness Network (The Network) is to "empower Coloradans affected by mental health conditions to achieve wellness and further recovery through advocacy tools and peer support." The Network also advocates for their peers and works collaboratively with other advocacy organizations to inform the public of the increasing need for behavioral health services in Colorado.

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As the statewide crisis hotline and peer support warm line provider, we are committed to providing effective care regardless of income, location, age, etc. for all Coloradans.

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Advocates for Recovery is a grassroots, peer-run, non-profit organization made up of people throughout Colorado who are in recovery from addiction; their friends, families, and allies. The organization started with a handful of dedicated folks who recognized the most difficult part of long-term recovery begins after the individual has stopped using alcohol and other illicit drugs. AFR supports ALL PATHWAYS to Recovery and provides support, services and resources for individuals, families, and friends in recovery, or seeking recovery.

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CAAP’s mission is to be an active organization that represents clinicians and other professionals who work with members or our communities struggling with substance misuse and addictive behavioral disorders.

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