Thank you

Thank you for joining us, we will get started in just a few minutes to allow others to call in.

We will get started at 11:00 am

To receive the slides shared today please email COProviderRelations@Carelon.com

the slides and recording will also be posted to the RAE 2 and RAE 4 websites in the next week

Before we get started...

Please type your name and organization in the chat so we know who you are.

If you have questions at any time during the webinar, we ask that you type them in the Q&A

Everyone's line is muted during the webinar.

Thank you





December Provider Support Call

Monthly Provider Roundtable

December 8, 2023

What is the RAE?

The RAEs are responsible for the health and cost outcomes for members in their region, as well as:

- Developing a network of Primary Care Medical Providers (PCMPs) to serve as medical home providers for their members,
- Developing a contracted statewide network of behavioral health providers,
- Administering the Department's capitated behavioral health benefit,
- Onboarding and activating members,
- Promoting the enrolled population's health and functioning, and
- Coordinating care across disparate providers, social, educational, justice, and other community agencies to address complex member needs that span multiple agencies and jurisdictions.







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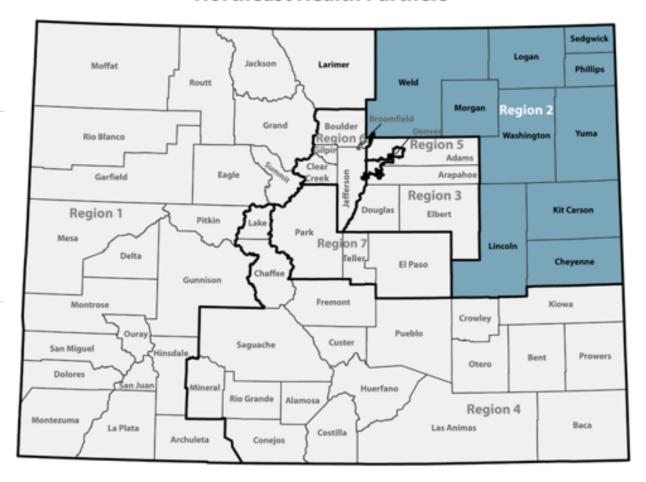
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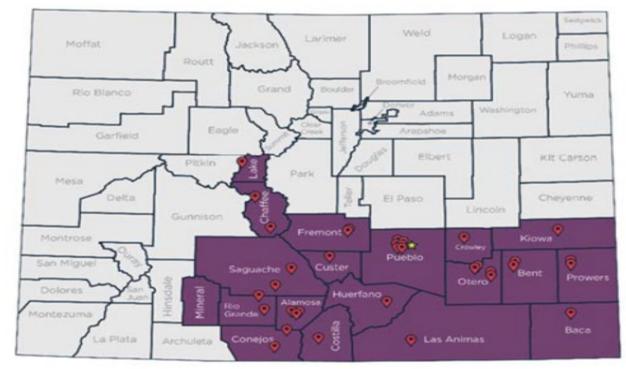
















What is a RAE Roundtable?

This is a monthly meeting where we share updates, provide information, training, and welcome your questions and discussion.

Feel free to share this invitation with colleagues who may also have an interest in attending.





Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. eConsult Platform
- 3. HCPF Data Analytics Portal DAP
- 4. Supervisory Billing Information
- 5. Updates
- 6. Reminders, Questions & Open Discussion





Chapter 01

Welcome and Introductions

Thank you for joining the Provider Support Call





Chapter 02

eConsult Platform

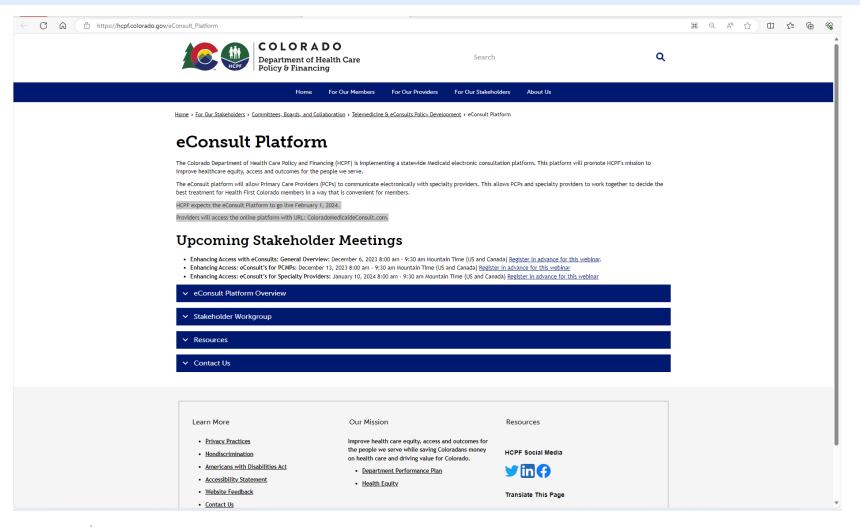




- HCPF is implementing a statewide Medicaid electronic consultation platform. The platform is designed to promote their mission to improve healthcare equity, access, and outcomes for members
- The eConsult platform will allow PCPs to communicate electronically with specialty providers, allowing PCPs and specialty providers to collaborate to decide the best treatment for Health First Colorado members.
- HCPF expects the eConsult Platform to go live 2/1/2024.
- Providers will access the online platform with URL: <u>ColoradoMedicaideConsult.com</u>
- For more information please visit: https://hcpf.colorado.gov/eConsult_Platform











eConsult Platform Overview

What is the eConsult Platform?

The eConsult platform is a web-based and application-based electronic system that allows for an asynchronous (store and forward) exchange between Primary Care Providers (PCPs) and specialty providers to share health information and to discuss patient care in a secure environment.

Electronic consultations between PCPs and specialty providers, or eConsults, are a way to coordinate referrals, when appropriate. In these instances, referrals will be made to specialty providers who are proven to improve quality outcomes, add value, and reduce costs specific to the specialty care required.

- · Summer/Fall 2023 Implementation Activities
- February 1, 2024 Anticipated Go Live

Note that the timeline is subject to change without notice and is only provided as a reference. HCPF will be providing periodic updates through the upcoming subcommittee meetings.

How can I find more information about the eConsult Platform?

Stay tuned for updates on our webpage. Questions can also be directed to: hcpf_econsult@state.co.us





▲ Stakeholder Workgroup

Provider and Community Experience Subcommittee

Resources

- Medicaid Enterprise Solutions (MES) Procurement: https://hcpf.colorado.gov/mes-procurement
- · eConsult Frequently Asked Questions
- eConsult Platform Overview

Contact Us

HCPF eConsult Inbox: hcpf_econsult@state.co.us





Chapter 03

Health First Colorado Data Analytics Portal - DAP





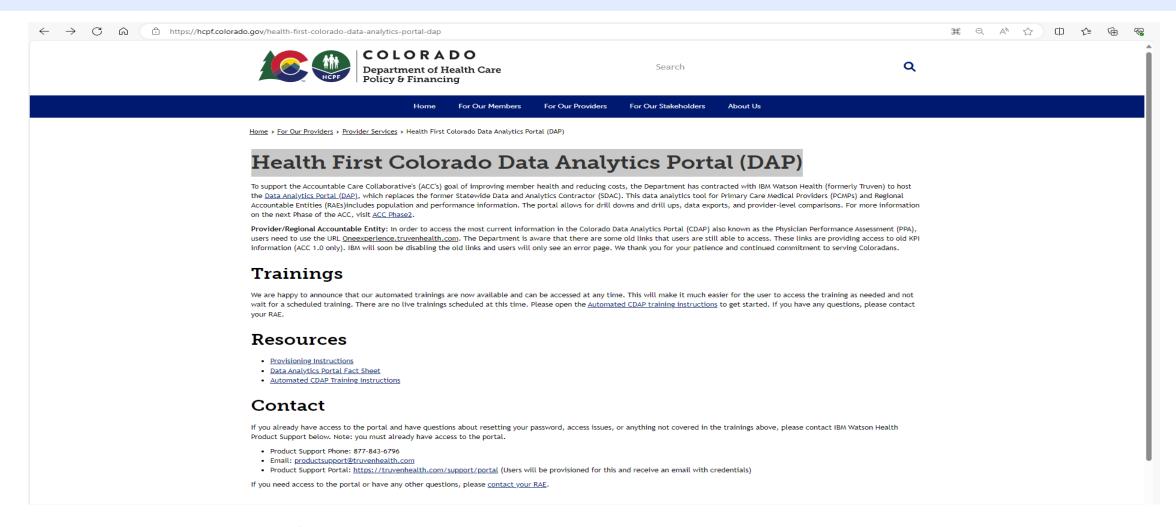
Health First Colorado Data Analytics Portal - DAP

- Available on the HCPF website at: https://hcpf.colorado.gov/health-first-colorado-data-analytics-portal-dap
- On this website you can find:
 - Training information
 - Additional resources
 - Contact information
- A DAP training .pdf is available directly at: https://hcpf.colorado.gov/sites/hcpf/files/Automated%20CDAP%20Training%20Instructions%205-30-19.pdf





Health First Colorado Data Analytics Portal - DAP







Chapter 04

Supervisory Billing Information





- Information on supervisory billing is available on both RAE 2 & 4 websites under Provider Resources under "Unlicensed Practitioners":
 - RAE 2 https://www.northeasthealthpartners.org/providers/provider-resources/
 - RAE4 https://www.healthcoloradorae.com/providers/provider-resources/
- Sources available are
 - Colorado Medicaid Standards for Unlicensed Practitioners Policy
 - Colorado Medicaid Standards for Unlicensed Practitioners Policy FAQs
 - Colorado Medicaid Standards for Unlicensed Practitioners Policy Attestation
- For more information you can contact the RAEs or Carelon at:
 - RAE 2/NHP northeasthealthpartners@carelon.com
 - RAE 4/HCI healthcolorado@carelon.com
 - Carelon CoProviderRelations@carelon.com







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- > List of Services and Assistance Resources for NHP Region
- > R2 Care Coordination and Behavioral Health Providers Fact Sheet
- > Taking Care of Baby and Me® Provider Booklet
- Access to Care Standards
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COLORADO MEDICAID STANDARDS FOR UNLICENSED PRACTITIONERS

The Regional Accountable Entities (RAEs) have developed aligned standards to permit unlicensed/pre-licensed clinicians to render services to Health First Colorado Members. These standards are intended to safeguard the public while also maintaining the integrity of the healthcare profession. The RAEs' greatest priority is maintaining a higher clinical standard of care for our members. The new aligned standards will help ensure that unlicensed providers within mental health organizations and integrated care settings are receiving appropriate supervision and oversight, with the goal of quality member care that also supports expanding the workforce pipeline.

Unlicensed or pre-licensed practitioners (supervised by a licensed clinician) can include the following:

- · Bachelor's level staff functioning as case managers, community outreach staff, and/or peers
- Master's/doctoral level interns
- Master's/doctoral level pre-licensed clinicians (registered with DORA as a licensure candidate, ie Professional Counselor Candidate (LPCC), Licensed Social Worker (LSW), Clinical Social Work Candidate (SWC), Marriage and Family Therapist Candidate (MFTC), Psychologist Candidate (PSYC), Addiction Counselor Candidate
- Licensed clinicians enrolled with Medicaid and for a maximum of 90 days while completing contracting and credentialing with a RAE

Provider group will complete an initial attestation (with follow-up annually) that underscores their adherence to these below rules in conjunction with regular audit activities.

General standards for licensed clinician serving in supervisory role

Active license in Colorado in good standing. Any licensing restriction or concerns about supervision of others may

be reviewed by each RAE on a case by case basis.

Enrolled with Health First Colorado (Medicaid) and serving Medicaid clients

Completed and current CAQH profile

Credentialed by the RAE or work for an institution that is credentialed at the institutional level or part of a

delegated credentialing arrangement

Organizational requirements

Organizational or group NPI

Malpractice insurance with demonstration of sufficient liability coverage for supervisors' supervision activities and for the clinical work performed by trainees and unlicensed practitioners, and minimum limits of liability of \$1 million per incident and \$3 million aggregate

Policy describing how providers credential their practitioners, requiring monthly checks of federal exclusion databases (OIG and SAM) of the unlicensed providers.

Supervision policy (described below).

Requirements may also be contained within a supervisory contract and/or employee handbook

Requires that supervisee's mandatory disclosure statement clearly states they are under supervision and by whom Requires regular evaluation of the supervisee's progress with a rubric that is tied to the responsibilities assigned

Addresses frequency of formal supervision sessions

Addresses frequency that supervisor reviews (and provides feedback on) documentation

Addresses a variety of supervisory mechanisms, including direct observation (recordings of counseling sessions,

live observation), case conceptualization presentations, review of documentation, and/or individual/triadic/group supervision















COLORADO MEDICAID STANDARDS FOR UNLICENSED PRACTITIONERS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Why did the RAEs implement standards for unlicensed practitioners?

These standards are intended to safeguard the public while also maintaining the integrity of the healthcare profession. The RAEs' greatest priority is maintaining a higher clinical standard of care for our members. The new aligned standards will help ensure that unlicensed providers within mental health organizations and integrated care settings are receiving appropriate supervision and oversight, with the goal of quality member care that also supports expanding the workforce pipeline.

2. Are unlicensed professionals providing care coordination and collateral services (such as a behavioral health navigator) included in this process?

Yes. All unlicensed/pre-licensed staff rendering clinical services are included.

3. Does this policy require monthly background checks of the people being supervised?

The Office of Inspector General's (OIG) List of Excluded Individuals and Entities (LEIE) includes healthcare workers from around the country who have been excluded from providing services to Medicare, Medicaid, or any other government funded healthcare service. The OIG updates their list daily, therefore, healthcare facilities must be vigilant through a monthly OIG compliance checks. The LEIE list is not limited to those individuals who interact with patients. In fact, anyone who works in the healthcare industry, from volunteers, board members, providers, billers, front desk staff should be screened.

If you employ or bill services by someone on the LEIE list, your facility can suffer from a number of monetary repercussions. Firstly, individuals on the LEIE list cannot have their services covered by Medicaid, Medicare, or any other government healthcare program. This means that your excluded employee or contractor will be unable to work with many of your patients.

Additionally, the OIG can fine facilities that employ excluded individuals. Facilities can be fined up to \$10,000 PER SERVICE PROVIDED by an excluded medical worker, and may be removed from all federal medical programs permanently.

The RAEs are also required by our contract to check the LEIE monthly. RAEs are contractually required to deny payment for any services rendered by any individual or entity on the list. We therefore require this of providers who are supervising individuals providing services to our members.

Checking the LEIE list is free, and is not a "background check". Rather, it is a way to ensure that we are in compliance with federal regulations regarding excluded individuals. The LEIE list can be searched here: https://exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/

- 4. Does this policy apply to CMHC's or facilities that have been licensed through the BHA? No. This new policy applies to independent providers who are not otherwise licensed by the BHA.
- 5. Does this policy override or supersede any DORA requirements for clinical supervision? No. The intention of this policy is to align with DORA requirements.
- 6. Does this policy require the Supervisor to sign each note of the person being supervised?

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Attestation for Supervision of Unlicensed and/or Pre-licensed Practitioners

In accordance with the *Colorado Medicaid Standards for Unlicensed Practitioners* policy, effective February 1, 2023, licensed clinicians looking to supervise unlicensed and/or pre-licensed practitioners that fall under the guidelines of this policy must submit this attestation to each contracted Regional Accountable Entity (RAE) to engage in supervision practices outlined by this policy. Subsequent to the submission of the initial attestation, this attestation must be submitted to each contracted RAE annually, no later than January 1 of each calendar year supervision may be rendered by the attesting organization. Organizations, groups, and facilities only need to submit one attestation for their entity; individual attestations for each licensed supervising clinician are not required.

By completing and returning this attestation to the RAE, you acknowledge the following:

- You have read and understand the requirements and standards for both the licensed supervising clinician and the
 organization set forth in the Colorado Medicaid Standards for Unlicensed Practitioners policy.
- You agree to maintain records of all documents required under the Colorado Medicaid Standards for Unlicensed Practitioners policy.
- You agree to provide any documents or records outlined under the policy upon request to the requesting RAE within seven (7) business days of the request.
- You agree to hold the RAE and Health First Colorado members harmless for nonadherence to this policy in any form, including but not limited to disputes between the attesting organization and any employees and/or contractors of the attesting organization.
- The RAE maintains the right to report any malfeasance impacting member care and/or licensure status to the
 appropriate state agencies, including the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing and the Department of
 Regulatory Agencies, in addition to internal actions the RAE may take to monitor and ensure quality of care.
- Failure to abide by the guidelines of this policy and/or any document requests from the RAE may result in the inability of
 your organization to supervise unlicensed or pre-licensed practitioners indefinitely.
- You agree to implement any updates made to the Colorado Medicaid Standards for Unlicensed Practitioners policy within the timelines dictated by the update.
- You have signatory authority and approval to submit this attestation for your organization.

Completed attestations can be sent to each RAE's contact on the policy document. Confirmation and approval of the attestation will be provided within sixty (60) calendar days of receipt by the RAE.

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Organization or Provider Name/TIN:		
Organization or Provider Contact Information:		





Chapter 05

Updates





Carelon Training Webinars

Carelon offers monthly training webinars for providers. Here are examples of webinars scheduled for this month.

You can register for any of these trainings by going to:

https://www.carelonbehavioralhealth.com/providers/resources/trainings

Availity Provider Portal Enhancement Tuesday, December 12 at 4 p.m. ET & December 19 at 12 p.m. ET

<u>ProviderConnect Overview</u> Wednesday, December 13 at 2 p.m. ET

<u>Provider Connect Authorizations</u> Thursday, December 14 at 12 p.m. ET

<u>Claim Submission Guidance</u> Thursday, December 14 at 12 p.m. ET

Grief & Loss: Considerations for Mental Health Professionals
Tuesday, December 19 at 3 p.m. ET





October HCPF Trainings

Beginner Billing Training: Professional Claims: This training will show you how to navigate the HCPF website, understand billing prerequisites, and how to complete basic billing. Scheduled – **December 7th at 9AM** (Note: 1 week earlier due to holiday schedule)

Beginner Billing Training: Institutional Claims: This training will show you how to navigate the HCPF website, understand billing prerequisites, and how to complete basic billing. Held the 3rd Thursday of each month. Next training – **December 14th at 9 AM** (Note: 1 week earlier due to holiday schedule)

Beginner Billing Training: Professional Claims: This training will show you how to navigate the HCPF website, understand billing prerequisites, and how to complete basic billing. Scheduled – **January 11th at 9AM**

A full list of trainings, resources, and calendars of trainings please visit the HCPF website: https://hcpf.colorado.gov/provider-training





Chapter 06

Reminders, Questions & Open Discussion





Carelon Resources - How to connect...

Call the National Provider Service Line (NPSL) at: 800-397-1630

Email Colorado Provider Relations at: CoProviderRelations@carelon.com





Stay Up To Date

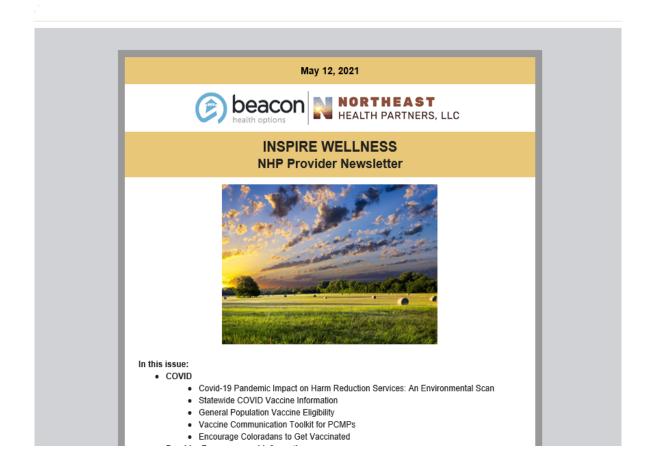
Every month we provide a Newsletter that has information for providers- including upcoming webinars, events, updates, and resources.

Be sure to check out the Inspire Wellness newsletter!!

To sign up please email: CoProviderRelations@carelon.com

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Beacon Health Options Provider Relations <coproviderrelations@beaconhealthoptions.com>
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December Newsletter Highlights

- HCPF Recently Updated Billing Manuals
- Member Complaint and Appeal Information for Providers
- Moratorium on New Enrollments for Non-Emergent Med Transport (MEMT)
- Public Health Information
- Upcoming Events & Webinars





Upcoming Training

The Next RAE Roundtable

The 2nd Friday of the month

January 12, 2024

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