

IMPROVING CARE COORDINATION FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PATIENTS



Today it is often difficult for behavioral and physical health providers to coordinate care and optimize clinical outcomes for shared patients. There are many causes for this, including patient privacy and confidentiality policies, as well as lack of interoperable electronic health record systems. CORHIO is working with behavioral health providers, patients and physical health providers to improve care coordination and population health outcomes through health information exchange.

Overcoming Policy & Practice Challenges to Improve Care

Through an initiative funded by the Rose Community Foundation, CORHIO is collaborating with 10 partner organizations to improve care for behavioral health patients by bringing together providers, behavioral health experts, patients and policymakers. Now through the end of 2011, these partners are working with the community and meeting monthly to discuss ideas and solutions for overcoming policy and practice barriers that may impede patient care coordination. The ultimate goal of this initiative is to achieve consensus in the behavioral health community about policy or practice-based changes that should be pursued to address barriers to better coordination.

Participation in Health Information Exchange

Behavioral health providers are invited to participate in CORHIO's secure, statewide health information exchange (HIE).

HIE subscription fees for behavioral health providers are as follows:

Participant Type	Monthly Subscription Cost	Annual Cost Calculation
Community Mental Health Centers*:		
1-50 staff	\$200/month	\$2,400
51-149 staff	\$600/month	\$7,200
150-249 staff	\$1,100/month	\$13,200
250-349 staff	\$1,600/month	\$19,200
350-449 staff	\$2,100/month	\$25,200
450+ staff	\$2,600/month	\$31,200
Outpatient, office-based health providers (MDs, PhDs, Psychologists)	\$85/month (per provider)	\$1,020 (per provider)
Inpatient, hospital-based behavioral health providers	Included with hospital HIE subscription (see main CORHIO pricing brochure)	

*Staff included for community health center cost calculations: MDs, DOs, PhDs, NPs, PAs, other prescribing providers, psychologists, nurses, social workers, other clinical staff and medical records staff. Staff count based on staff as of last day of the month for the previous calendar quarter.

COLLABORATING ORGANIZATIONS:

- Colorado Association of Alcohol and Drug Service Providers
- Mental Health America of Colorado
- Colorado Behavioral Healthcare Council
- Colorado Department of Human Services
- Community Reach Center
- Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health - Colorado Chapter
- Metro Crisis Services
- National Alliance on Mental Illness - Colorado
- Office of the Governor, State of Colorado
- Wellness and Education Coalition and Advocacy Network of Colorado

UPCOMING EVENT!

Colorado HIE Summit: Coordinating Care Across Behavioral & Physical Health
 Summer 2011 (date TBD)

Visit www.CORHIO.org for updates and details!

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