



CEO Report for December 2021
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This report is a summary of key activities and highlights impacting the agency from the perspective of the President/CEO. While it is addressed to and aimed at the agency’s Board of Directors, it is also shared with CCI employees to offer an overview of things happening in the agency.

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State—HCPF/DHS/Alliance/State Legislature

- *Alliance*
 - Adding membership to national ANCOR (American Network of Community Options and Resources)
 - End the Invisible Wait
 - Highlights of Alliance legislative and advocacy agenda in board packet
- *Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF)—*
 - No feedback on audits yet
 - Double down on Family Support
 - Special guest at Board meeting
- *Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)*
 - Vaccination reporting
 - Top ten deficiencies
- *Office of Early Childhood—*Having trouble getting payment





- *Federal initiatives*
 - HCBS Funding in infrastructure bill

Local Community

- Disability, Inclusion and Accessibility Training smashing success—View [HERE](#)
- Opportunity for friend-raising event at Fort Lewis College

Fundraising/Development

- Festival of Trees and Wreaths
 - LOR Foundation
 - Final numbers
 - 104 participating businesses and individuals!!
 - 46 Wreaths in Cortez
 - About 30 trees and 20 wreaths at the Grange
 - How to participate
 - COVID precautions for Grange
 - Need Volunteers! Register [HERE](#)
- Colorado Gives Day December 8th Donate or share the link [HERE](#)
- New members of Fund Development Committee
- Case Statement

Internal CCI highlights

- Workload/burnout discussion coupled with workforce shortages
- COVID cases and booster clinics

Facilities

- Animas and Empire Houses

Other

- Goal Progress:
 - Strategic Plan dashboards: Hoping to dive in during “quiet time” over the holidays
 - Planning for Case Management Redesign: Discussions with other CCBs about ideas
 - Executive coaching: Completed!

Acronym Cheat Sheet





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- ART (Administrative Review Team) –The Executive Team and Program Directors oversight of Quality Indicators
- The Arc – advocacy organization for people with intellectual disabilities
- ANCOR (American Network of Community Options and Resources) National professional and advocacy organization for IDD providers
- CCB (Community Centered Board) we are 1 of 20 in the state
- CCI (Community Connections, Inc.)
- CDLE (Colorado Department of Labor and Employment)
- CFCM (Conflict-Free Case Management) Federal mandate that the provision case management must be separated from direct program services.
- CES (Children’s Extensive Services)
- CHCBS (Children’s Home and Community Based Services)
- CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services) Federal
- CORA (Colorado Open Records Act)
- DHS or CDHS (Colorado Department of Human Services)
- DSP (Direct Support Professional) – field staff working with clients
- DVR (Department of Vocational Rehabilitation)
- EI (Early Intervention) Developmental services for kids Birth to 3
- FOTW (Festival of Trees and Wreaths)
- HCPF (Health Care Policy and Financing) State Medicaid office
- I/DD (Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities)
- JBC (Joint Budget Committee at the Colorado legislature)
- MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)
- PASAs (Program Approved Service Agencies) agencies approved to provide Medicaid Waiver services across the state
- PCA (Personal Care Alternative) residential services not in a host home
- RAE (Regional Accountable Entity) Medicaid care coordination and behavioral health organization
- Residential (a.k.a. Comprehensive – our adult 24/7 support)
- ROI (Return on Investment)
- SEP (Single Entry Point—case management program for non-IDD programs)
- SJBPH (San Juan Basin Public Health)
- SLS (Supported Living Services) – Services for adults living independently or with family
- TCM (Targeted Case Management)



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