**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)

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**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH Working Group**

**Recent successes**
Critical Behavioral Health Services Report completed by Health District of Northern Larimer County, leading to a possible ballot measure in Larimer County

Our **GOAL** is to launch Mental Health First Aid Training for businesses before the end of 2016.

**Upcoming meeting dates:**
- Mental Health First Aid Meeting: Thursday, July 7 - 7:30am to 8:30am - Fort Collins Area Chamber, 225 S Meldrum, Fort Collins
- Behavioral Health Team Meeting: Thursday, July 7 - 8:30am to 9:30am - Fort Collins Area Chamber, 225 S Meldrum, Fort Collins

**Save the Date!** 2016 Cheyenne VA Medical Center Mental Health Summit - Friday, August 26 - 8:00am to 3:30pm - Timberline Church, 29008 Timberline Rd, Fort Collins

**Get involved!** Come to our meeting and get in on the ground floor!

To learn more about the Behavioral Health working group:
Ann Hutchison, ahutchison@fcchamber.org - 970-482-3746
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:

- Meet 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, June 29th at 7:30 a.m. (5th Wednesday due to vacations.)

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

OUTREACH & AWARENESS 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@uchealth.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@uchealth.org

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