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The Colorado Providers Association (COPA) is a statewide trade association of substance abuse prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery providers. Established in 1987, COPA works with its members, state and legislative partners, allied organizations and community groups to prevent and mitigate the impact of substance abuse issues across state.

Our success stems from efforts to:

- Collaborate with and support state, community and service systems
- Advocate for systems of care integration between primary and behavioral health
- Support and inform effective public policy
- Advance the use of evidence-based practice
- Educate the public about the positive result of alcohol and drug services
- Promote the welfare of alcohol and drug clients
- Foster communication among state and local partners

Building partnerships.
Inspiring change.

These efforts are critical as Colorado ranks:

- 5th in per capita alcohol consumption and 9th in alcohol dependence
- 6th in illicit drug dependence
- 7th in cocaine use
- 10th in marijuana use
- 15th in non-medical use of pain relievers

The impact of substance abuse on Colorado citizens. Beyond the observed effects substance abuse exerts on Colorado citizens and their families, these preventable and often untreated problems have a profound financial impact on Colorado's criminal justice, human services and healthcare systems.

Dollars spent, dollars saved. At the same time, the use of Colorado tax dollars for substance abuse services provides an excellent return on investment as studies demonstrate that \$7.00 is saved for every dollar invested on alcohol and drug abuse treatment; and \$5.50 is saved for every dollar spent on school-based drug prevention efforts.

COPA is in a unique position to help inform, support and implement improvements in the substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery arena. In these difficult economic times, it is critical that we all work together, in common cause, to help solve these and other complex social problems. COPA stands ready to serve as your partner in helping to impact Colorado's significant substance abuse issues.

An association of substance abuse service providers

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