Alzheimer's Association, Colorado Chapter

American Cancer Society

American Heart Association

American Lung Association of Colorado

Arthritis Foundation Rocky Mountain Chapter

Brain Injury Association

Colorado AIDS Project

Colorado Gerontological Society

Crohn's and Colitis

Easter Seals Colorado

Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado

Hepatitis C Connection

Huega Center for MS

Huntington's Disease

Lupus Foundation of Colorado

March of Dimes, Colorado Chapter

Mental Health America of Colorado

Muscular Dystrophy Association

National Kidney Foundation

National MS Society, Colorado Chapter

Parkinson Association of the Rockies

The Persons Living with HIV/AIDS Initiative of Colorado

> Rocky Mountain MS Center

February 2, 2009

Re: HB 09-1103

Presumptive Eligibility Long Term Care

Dear Representative Riesberg, Senator Newell and members of the Health and Human Services Committee:

The Chronic Care Collaborative is in full support of the Health Care Policy and Financing request seeking federal approval for presumptive eligibility.

Many of our constituents and members who seek home and community based services and long term care can receive much needed care at the time of their application and presentation of supportive documents. Services provided upon declaration are respectful of the individual and timely services result in effective care.

We commend HCPF and urge your support of this request.

Sincerely,

Sharon O'Hara

Vice President, Programs

National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Colorado Chapter

On behalf of the Chronic Care Collaborative