

About Alliance

Alliance is a nonprofit, statewide association of Community-Centered Boards (CCBs) and Service Provider Organizations (SPOs). We represent our CCB and SPO member organizations and the thousands of dedicated professionals who are employed in the field of developmental disabilities throughout Colorado.

Their efforts enable nearly 13,000 individuals and families to receive the services and support they need from Colorado's Developmental Disability System.

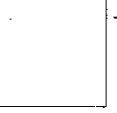
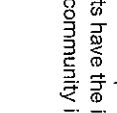
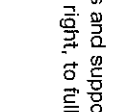
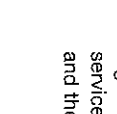
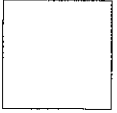
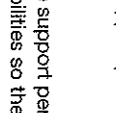
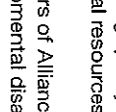
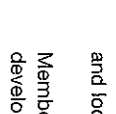
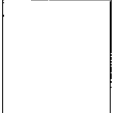
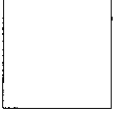
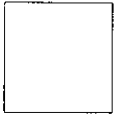
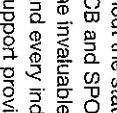
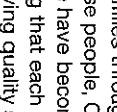
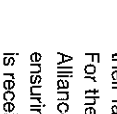
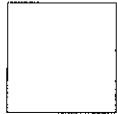
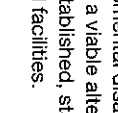
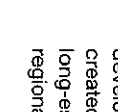
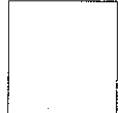
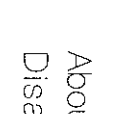
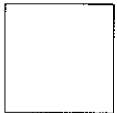
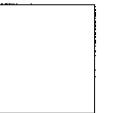
Alliance is distinguished by leadership and advocacy of member organizations and the individuals with developmental disabilities they serve. For legislators and policy makers, we serve as an invaluable resource for factual information about issues directly affecting citizens with developmental disabilities and their families.

It is our mission to enhance and strengthen community services and support for people with developmental disabilities.




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About Colorado's Developmental Disability Community System

In 1983, a Colorado statute authorized Community-Centered Boards (CCB) to coordinate and manage community services for persons with developmental disabilities. This created a viable alternative to the long-established, state-operated regional facilities.

For over 40 years, CCBs have managed delivery of individualized services – in partnership with private service providers – tailored to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families throughout the state of Colorado. For these people, CCB and SPO members of Alliance have become invaluable resources for ensuring that each and every individual they serve is receiving quality support provided with state and local resources.

Members of Alliance support persons with developmental disabilities so they may enjoy the opportunity to exercise their rights to live, learn, play and work in the community with the dignity, choices, opportunities and responsibilities accorded all citizens. Above all, member organizations believe that all persons receiving services and supports have the inherent value, and the right, to full community inclusion.



CCB & SPO Services

Services for Adults (Age 18 and Older)
 :: Comprehensive Services
 A broad-based service designed to provide a wide range of support for adults, including 24-hour residential services, employment, transportation and other assistance.

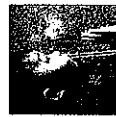
Supported Living Services
 Services include: personal care (meals, bathing and dressing), domestic needs, employment, community assessment, decision-making guidance, assistive technology, home adaptations, professional therapies, transportation and 24-hour emergency assistance.



Alliance is actively working to eliminate the waitlist.

3,746
 The number of adult Coloradans on the waitlist for developmental disabilities support services.

46th
 Colorado's national rank in financial support for developmental disabilities.



Services for Children (Infancy through 17)

Early Intervention
 A service designed to advance the cognitive social and emotional development of infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities and provide support for their families.

Family Support Services Program
 A service designed to assist the families of children with developmental disabilities with support and resources in order to help ensure that children remain in a nurturing family environment.

Children's Extensive Support
 This program targets children with the most intense support requirements and children with the highest risk of out-of-home placement by providing Medicaid-funded services and support.

The Home and Community-Based Waiver for Children with Autism
 This program provides early intervention for young children identified as having autism and who are eligible for long-term care under Medicaid. This is a flexible program that gives access to a broad spectrum of services so that the ones best suited to each child can be selected.

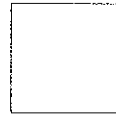
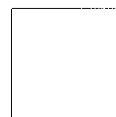
The following list of CCBs and SPOs are members of Alliance and provide services and supports throughout the state of Colorado. To find out more about your local CCB or SPO, please visit the member's website, call the phone number listed below or contact Alliance.

Service Provider Organization (SPO) Members

- Ability Specialists
www.abilityspecialists.com • (303) 690-5203
- Carmel Community Living Corporation
www.carmelcorp.com • (888) 854-0573
- Chester House, Inc.
www.chesthouse.org • (303) 926-8840
- Cottonwood Community Alternatives
www.cottonwoodca.org • (303) 761-6487
- Community Advantage
www.rescare.com • (303) 684-9833
- Dungarvin Colorado, Inc.
www.dungarvin.com • (303) 423-7680
- Dynamic Dimensions, Inc.
exdir@centurytel.net • (719) 346-5367
- Evergreen Service Provider
dmryers1025@comcast.net • (303) 431-0306
- Employment Link
www.emplink.org • (303) 527-0627
- Good Shepherd Communities
www.gscommunities.org • (303) 795-2061
- Metro Support Services
bridgetcranford@qwest.net • (720) 872-2730
- Mosaic
www.mosaicinfo.org • (970) 223-1751
- Quality Life Services
(303) 439-2122 • (303) 439-2622 (fax)
- REM Colorado, Inc.
jan.blosser@thementornetwork.com
(719) 278-3700 ext 001
- Schaefer Enterprises
www.schaeferenterprises.com • (970) 353-0662
- Support, Inc.
www.supportinc.com • (303) 340-0322

Community Centered Board (CCB) Members

- Arkansas Valley Community Center
Serving: Crowley, Otero & Bent Counties
avcc@arkvalleyccb.org • (719) 384-8741
- Blue Peaks Developmental Services, Inc.
Serving: Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande & Saguache Counties
bluepeak@tione.net • (719) 589-5135
- Colorado Bluesky Enterprises, Inc.
Serving: Pueblo County
www.coloradobluesky.org • (719) 546-0572
- Community Connections, Inc.
Serving: Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma & San Juan Counties
www.cci-colorado.org • (970) 259-2464
- Community Options, Inc.
Serving: Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray & San Miguel Counties
www.communityoptioninc.org • (970) 249-1412
- Developmental Disabilities Resource Center, Inc.
Serving: Clear Creek, Gilpin, Jefferson & Summit Counties
www.ddrcco.com • (303) 233-3363
- Envision
Serving: Weld County
www.envisioncc.org • (970) 339-5360
- Foothills Gateway, Inc.
Serving: Larimer County
www.foothillsgateway.org • (970) 226-2345
- Horizons Specialized Services, Inc.
Serving: Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco & Routt Counties
www.horizonsnwc.org • (970) 879-4466
- Imagine!
Serving: Boulder & Broomfield Counties
www.imaginecolorado.org • (303) 665-7789
- Mesa Developmental Services, Inc.
Serving: Mesa County
www.mesadev.org • (970) 243-3702
- Mountain Valley Developmental Services, Inc.
Serving: Eagle, Garfield, Lake & Pitkin Counties
www.mtvvalley.org • (970) 945-2306
- Southeastern Developmental Services, Inc.
Serving: Baca, Eastern Bent, Kiowa & Prowers Counties
jmartin@sdsocb.com • (719) 336-3244
- Southern Colorado Developmental Disabilities, Inc.
Serving: Huerfano & Las Animas Counties
www.sccdds.com • (719) 846-4409
- Starpoint
Serving: Chaffee, Custer & Fremont Counties
www.starpointco.com • (719) 275-1616





WHO WE ARE:

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WHAT IS A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY?

A developmental disability is one that is manifested before a person reaches 22 years of age, which constitutes a substantial disability to the affected person and which is attributable to mental retardation or related conditions which include cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism or other neurological conditions when such conditions result in the impairment of general intellectual functioning or adaptive behavior similar to that of a person with mental retardation.

OUR PRIORITIES FOR THE 2009-2010 SESSION:

- ✧ Eliminating waiting lists for services. Currently approximately 12,000 individuals are waiting for services and supports. This year the governor has requested \$5.9 million dollars to serve an additional 295 individuals who are waiting. We ask that you support the governor's request through the long bill process.
- ✧ Securing adequate rates to continue to provide quality services and supports and to maintain a quality workforce.
- ✧ We also ask that the committee utilize the funding mechanism in HB 08-1101 to ensure resources intended for DD community services stay within the system.
- ✧ We recognize these are challenging economic times however the people and families we support are the most vulnerable citizens in Colorado and we need to continue to meet their needs during these difficult times. We believe that no matter where you live you should have reasonable access to high quality services and supports within your local community.

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