



Colorado Communities United for People
with Developmental Disabilities

Alliance is a nonprofit, statewide association comprised of Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) case management and provider agencies, businesses serving the IDD community, and disability advocacy organizations.





Today's Presentation



- 50 Years of Community Living
- Evolution of Alliance
- 2023 Session Recap
- Alliance's 2023-24 High Priority Work



50 Years of Community Living



1960's

Community Mental Health Act of 1963

1963

Colorado Association of Community Centered Boards organizational meeting

1966

1965

Medicaid established



1970's



ANCOR founded; The Developmental Disabilities Services and Facilities Construction Amendments enacted

1970

1973

Colorado Association of CCBs established; Rehabilitation Act (Section 504) enacted



BACK TO THE 80'S



HCBS Waiver Program established

1983

Congress established Early Intervention Program

1986

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1,921 people placed in Community Residential Settings

1989

Chris Collins elected BOD President of Alliance



Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

1990

Olmstead Decision

1999

1990

Self Advocates Becoming Empowered forms



Inaugural Disability Pride Parade

2004

Great Recession; First National Direct Support Professional Recognition Week

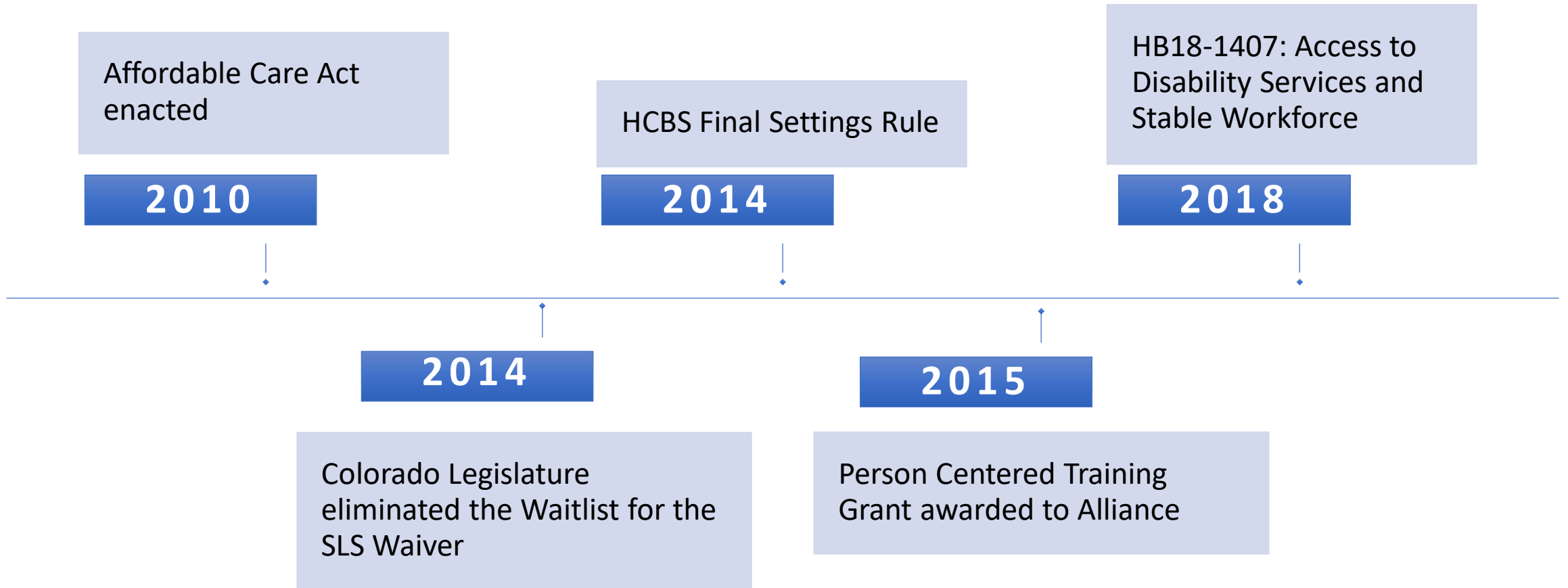
2008

2005

CACCB welcome providers and changes name to Alliance



2010s





2020

COVID-19 Pandemic

2020

ARPA Funding

2021

2021

SB21-039: Phase out of Subminimum Wage Employment



50+ years of growth!

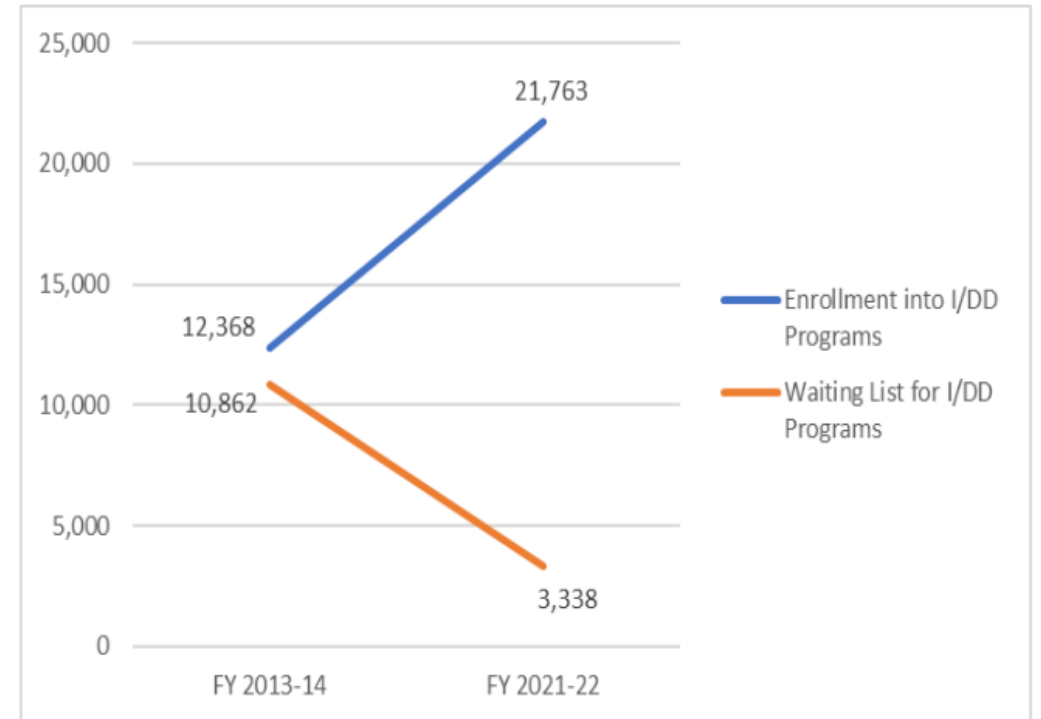


1970-2023

- ✓ People served in the community: 1,884 to over 20,000
- ✓ IDD community living budget: \$1.8 million to over \$1 billion

2014-2022:

- ✓ Total enrollment in the waivers targeted to individuals IDD grew 76 percent
- ✓ Enrollments in IDD programs: 12,368 to 21,763
- ✓ Waiting list for IDD programs: 20,882 to 3,338
- ✓ Wait time for an IDD enrollment: 25+ years to 6 years





Evolution of Alliance



Evolution of Alliance



- ✓ Alliance started as CACCB with about 20 CCB members. We now have nearly 100 members.
- ✓ In July, Alliance added Case Management Agencies (CMAs) to our membership.
- ✓ In June, Alliance elected our first-ever representative BOD.
 - ✓ Now have two at-large seats on the BOD, which can be filled by self-advocates and others from the larger disability community.
- ✓ Alliance has welcomed advocacy organizations and trade associations to our associate membership levels.





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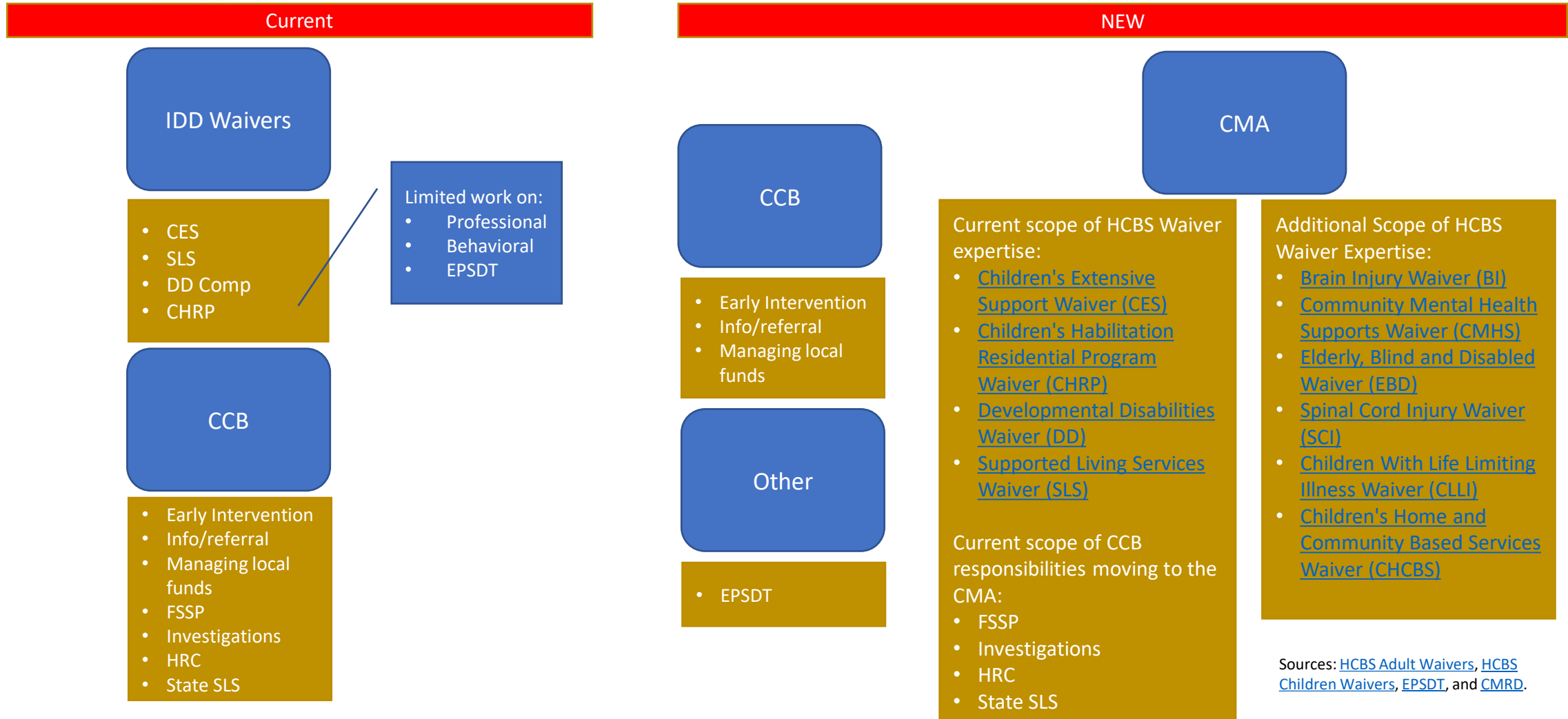
- ✓ We will have 13 active internal committees working on policies related to: Early Intervention, Family Support Services, Host Home Safety, Housing, Employment, Emergency Response in the Community (ERIC), and Inclusion Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA).
- ✓ We also have 10 Peer Networks that allow CCB/PASA staff to share best practices and exchange information related to a variety of topics like: Case Management, Adult Services, Human Resources, Finance, Behavioral Therapists, Nursing, and Public Relations.



Evolution of Alliance



In 2023-24, we will determine if Alliance will expand our scope beyond IDD





2023 Session Recap



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- ✓ \$80 million in new IDD Funding
 - ✓ Over \$1 billion in CO IDD Funding!
- ✓ Increased Base Wage to \$15.57!
 - ✓ \$17.29 in Denver
- ✓ Targeted Rates for Transportation and Group Homes
- ✓ Bill to study the safety of host homes
- ✓ Alliance selected Rep. Bird as our 2023 Legislator of the Year



In D.C., we are working with ANCOR on the proposed CMS Access Rule and SOC Bill.



FY 23-24 Rate Increases

The [FY23-24 Long Bill](#) has been signed into law. HCPF will publish detailed rate charts in late May or early June.

HCBS Rate Increases

SERVICE CATEGORY	BASE WAGE INCR.: Outside Denver (\$15.75) (% is weighted average)	BASE WAGE INCR.: Denver (\$17.29) (% is weighted average)	COMMON POLICY INCR.	TARGETED RATE INCREASE
Adult Day Services	5.2%	15.7%	+3%	-
CDASS	3.5%	N/A	+3%	-
Day Habilitation	3.9%	11%	+3%	-
Group Residential Services	3.6%	10.1%	+3%	+18.6% avg
Homemaker	3.1%	5.2%	+3%	-
Mentorship	1.8%	4.7%	+3%	-
Non-Med. Transp. (DD/SLS)	8.4%	19.4%	+3%	+48.9% avg
Personal Care	3.1%	5.4%	+3%	-
Prevocational Services	4.8%	13.9%	+3%	-
Individual Residential Services	3.6%	10.1%	+3%	-
Respite	3.3%	14.7%	+3%	-
Supported Empl.	2.4%	5.4%	+3%	-

“COMMON POLICY” RATE INCREASE

All other Medicaid services Pediatric Behavior Therapies, HCBS Behavioral Services, Massage, Movement, Music Therapies, all other HCBS, etc. State SLS, Family Support Services Program	3%
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TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT

New TCM Rate	Common Policy Incr.
\$149.17 PMPM Effective upon execution of CMA contract	+3% Effective 7/1/23

Note that the current 2.11% temporary enhanced rate for TCM will expire on 6/30/23.

EARLY INTERVENTION

3% common policy funds will be applied to the EI appropriation + \$3.5 million in workforce investments over two years

SOURCES

HCPF Budget Requests [R-07](#) (provider rates) & [R-13](#) (TCM)

Dept. of Early Childhood Request [R-10](#)

[HCPF Staff Figure Setting Document](#): Provider rates, etc.

[HCPF OCL Staff Figure Setting Document](#): TCM, etc.

[HCPF Base Wage Chart](#)



2023-24 High Priorities



High Priority Work



- Government Relations Advisory Committee of Excellence (GRACE) Work:
 - 2024 Legislative Agenda
 - Begin Long-Term Rates Strategy
- Alliance EI Policy Priorities and the EI RFP
- FSSP Rule Changes
- Oversight of Host Homes
- Case Management Redesign (CMRD)
- Medicaid Provider Rate Review Advisory Committee (IDD Rates)
- Medical Services Board (HCPF's Rulemaking Board)
- Direct Care Workforce Stabilization Board, SB23-261 (Expected Fall 2023)
- CDPHE/HCPF/Alliance Meetings look at recommendations to improve the survey process.
- Federal/ANCOR: Proposed Access Rule, SOC Bill
- Alliance Internal Work:
 - Evolution of Alliance and CMA Membership
 - Inclusion, Diversity Equity, Accessibility (I.D.E.A.) work





Just this year in Colorado we...



- received some of the largest rate increases in IDD history, most of which were directed toward addressing the workforce crisis.
- continued to draw down the wait list by allowing anyone in an emergency the opportunity to receive a DD Comp enrollment.
 - 96% of the people on the IDD wait list are now receiving some type of Medicaid service.
- established Case Management Agencies to come into compliance with Conflict Free Case Management.
- closed the last state institution. All IDD services are now community-based.
- ended Subminimum Wage!



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